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# PREFACE.

To the Chairman and Members of the Salop County Council.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Inspection of Parish Documents under Section 17 of the Local Government Act, 1894.

In continuation of our interim report we have now to report that we have completed our inspection of the documents in all the parishes in the County, so far as the time at our command, and the facilities placed at our disposal have permitted us to do, and the report we now have the honour to lay before you covers the whole County. We are pleased to acknowledge the hearty welcome we received in most of the parishes we visited, both from the Clergy and the representatives of the Councils and Meetings who in many instances expressed their high appreciation of the action of the County Council in ordering the inspection. We were much impressed in several instances, with the extremely careful manner in which some of the clergy keep their records, and not infrequently we found that they had, with immense labour, translated or transcribed, (or both), as the case may be, many of their older registers and accounts, etc. As an instance of this we would refer you to the parish of Cheswardine, the Vicar of which (the Rev. J. E. Hughes) has translated many of the most interesting Churchwardens' Accounts—dating back to 1544—fragments of an old Breviary (which formed the *covers* of a Churchwardens' Account book) and other extremely interesting documents. The work—though interesting—must have been extremely arduous, and taken a great deal of time to accomplish. Mr. Hughes very kindly placed the results of his labours at our disposal, and we have incorporated these in our reports.

The report contains so much that is interesting, that it is almost invidious to direct attention to any particular items, but we venture to think there are a few documents, &c., to which it may be useful to refer.

We have reproduced several terriers, and perhaps the Atcham Terrier (pp. 17—21), and the Cheswardine Terrier (pp. 96—101) are as interesting as any.

On page 24 will be found a copy of a memorandum, dated 1662, of the *induction* of a Vicar of Baschurch, which is distinctly interesting, and moreover, it is the only complete record of this description that we came across.

On pages 29 and 30 we give a copy of an Order Endorsed "An Order about the Love Feast, dated 1639." This remarkably interesting document was transcribed by the Rev. Thursby-Pelham for the "*Shropshire Archæological Transactions*" of 1895; and he very kindly lent us a copy of the "*Transactions*" in which it appears.

The "Articles of Agreement" kept in the safe in the Vestry of Chetton Church, a copy of which will be found on pages 102—111, is the only one of its kind that we found. It is dated 29th November, 1819, and is signed and sealed by sixty-two persons. It throws a somewhat curious light on the mode in which the county was policed—or, rather, *not* policed—in those days.

As one illustration of the necessity of an inspection of the parish documents we would refer you to pages 114—115, where we give a copy of a report of a committee appointed to review the documents in the parish of Chirbury. So thoroughly did this committee do their work that, as they themselves state, they destroyed a considerable number of documents. the list of which they give.

Many of the notes from the Church Pulverbatch papers are worth perusing, notably the payment of two shillings in 1685 to "Richard Gittons, for hunting ye foxe," and, on the same page—date 1692—a payment of three shillings and two pence "For Mault hopps and *a qter. of Tobacco* for ye 5 of November." There are many entries in various parishes of payments made for foxes or foxes' heads, to some of which we may refer later on; but the above payment for *tobacco* is the only one we came across; and it will be observed that it was made in the seventeenth century.

Some of the best specimens of the certificates of *Burials in Wollen* are to be found in the Clive Register—see pages 134 and 135. That on page 135, in the year 1679, which refers to the burial of Margaret Sandlands, is particularly elaborate.

The registers and other books frequently contain entries of interesting events, some of which we have reproduced. Occasionally the entries are full of pathos, but now and then they are extremely humorous and quaint. An entry to which the last adjective may be applied will be found on page 139. It is dated "Easter-Day, 1808," and announces the fact that the then Vicar of Clunbury had agreed with the parishioners "to take instead of the spare wine at the Sacrament ten *quart pottles of good Port Wine annually* to be delivered to him in every year at Easter—*The Parish Clerk to have the pottles.*"

On page 144 we give a quaint note from the Coreley Register. It is not only quaint, but also extremely interesting, as it throws a very vivid light upon the disturbed state of the county at the period—1644—1650—when even this remote parish came under the influence of the great events which so largely influenced the subsequent history of our country. Our note states that there are several blank spaces in the register during the years we have mentioned, and in one of these spaces some one has written the words "Registering neglected—*a happy time.*"

And the entry in the Longford Register "Here wants a Register .....from ye year 1603 to 1654 yt is to say for 51 years which cannot be found, supposed to be lost in our uncivill wars or times of rebellion" describes what, unfortunately, happened in many parishes in those troublous years.

The entry in the Eaton-under-Heywood Register, dated 22nd July, 1807, a copy of which we reproduce on page 159, records a storm which must have considerably disturbed the curate of the parish for he describes it

as "A most awful and tremendous storm of thunder, lightning, hail and rain. Hail fell in this neighbourhood 4 to 5 inches in length ..... In short it was an awful visitation."

Perhaps one of the most interesting items is the entry in the Bolas Magna Register, of the marriage of Lord Burleigh. On the 13th April 1790 one "John Jones" was married to Sarah Hoggins; John Jones being then Lord Burleigh, afterwards Earl of Exeter.

We have already alluded to the payment for foxes' heads. The interesting extracts from the documents, &c. of Lydbury North, made by the vicar, (pages 213—218) show that one shilling a head was paid in that parish from 1618 to 1786 (p. 217). The "fox" question was clearly an important one in Lydbury North, and dogs were numerous; the accounts contain many payments for "whippinge dogges" out of Church, and in 1793 the parish incurred an expenditure of £1 3s. 4d. on "A coat and waistcoat for Dogman."

We. have said that, here and there, the entries are extremely pathetic. It is difficult to imagine anything more so than the entry made in November, 1773 in the overseers' accounts for the parish of Mainstone (see p. 222) from which it appears that a wretched child, described as "John Jones a poor boy maintained by the parish" was "settled" with various householders each of whom had him for six months, "according to lotts," the first person receiving fifteen shillings, and each subsequent householder with whom the child was settled receiving two shillings and sixpence less "till he shall be able to get his living."

The only entry of an excommunication which came under our nctice is continued in one of the registers of the parish of Holy Cross (Shrewsbury), the person brought under the ban being Hannah Julit; her offence "contumacy and contempt" to the Court of Lichfield, and the date of the excommunication being 17th August, 1707.

The documents at St. Chad's (Shrewsbury) are extremely valuable (see pages 303—307) and the registers contain several interesting entries. For instance there is an entry, dated 23rd December, 1647 of the burning of a woman in the "quarell," (no doubt meaning The Quarry) for poisoning her husband. We find too, that the plague began in Shrewsbury on the 12th June, 1650, in Frankwell in "John Pounds' hoose"; and there is an entry dated "1660, May 1st to the effect that "King Charles the second entered London on ye 29th of this instant, May, after 16 years exile, and in 12 yeare of his raine, it being the day on which he was borne," etc.

We have given numerous extracts from the *Constables'* Accounts for the parish of Stockton, which date so far back as the year 1642 and are extremely interesting, see page 322—331. Payments for "trained soldiers" occur very frequently in the earlier accounts, as also do payments in respect of cripples, and there is very little doubt that the civil wars were responsible for making both classes of recipients a charge on the parish. On page 327 will be found certain charges in connection with the lodgment of a *quaker* and his wife in the house of correction. Expenses were incurred, too, for mending the "Stocks" and "Butts."

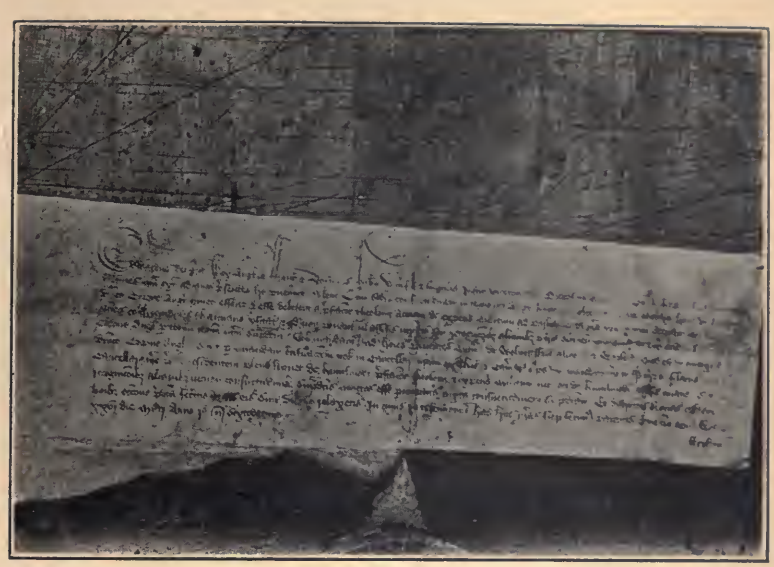
The necessity for keeping this preface within reasonable limits makes it impossible for us to notice many items that are of considerable

interest and importance, but we should like to call attention to the Worfield Charter, a copy and translation of which—and its endorsements—are given on pages 371 and 372. The manner in which this was—we had almost said discovered—is not uninteresting. And as the copy of the Charter in the Bodleian Library would appear to be inaccurate (see pages 370 and 371) we recommend that a copy of the report be sent to the Curator. The photographs of the seal of Edward IV., which is attached to the Charter. are given as a frontispiece to the report.

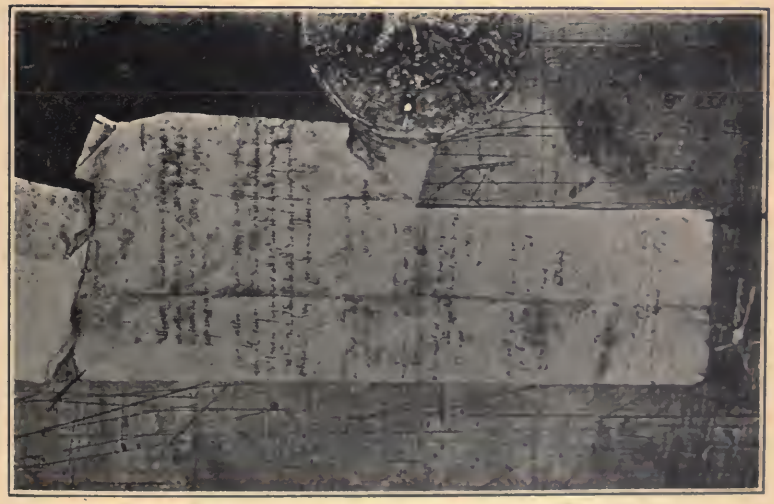
In conclusion, it is perhaps necessary to say that it is highly improbable that the work of inspecting and taking extracts from, and notes of, the documents—often performed under considerable difficulty—has been done without making a considerable number of mistakes. It is highly improbable, too, that we have seen, or been able to make a complete record of, all the documents in existence. But we venture to think that the publication of the report, of which we recommend that a copy should be sent to the incumbent and parish council, or parish meeting, of each parish, will do much to stimulate and keep alive a desire to preserve carefully what are now in many instances, and what will become in the future, in many others, documents of almost priceless value.

We trust that the report of each parish will be carefully examined, and that an effort will be made *in each parish* to supplement, and where necessary, to correct the report. If this is done it is hardly necessary to point out that the County will become possessed of what we believe will be, an absolutely unique record of its public documents.

We have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servants,
E. C. PEELE,
R. S. CLEASE.



From a Photograph of Worfield Charter, by Mr. F. R. Armytage.
See pages 370—373



From a Photograph of the Endorsements on the Worfield Charter
by Mr. F. R. Armytage.—See pages 370—373.

From a Photograph of the Seal attached to the Worfield Charter, by Mr. F. R. Armytage.—See pages 370–373.

## ABDON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a tin box at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1554—1746—*but apparently not consecutive.*
Do. 1749—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1789.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1789—1813.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1813.
" Banns, 1827—1894.
" Marriages, 1813—1850.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 2nd April, 1846

## ACTON BURNELL.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1568—1667.
Do. 1693—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1813.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1838.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 7th January, 1846, *kept at the Rectory.*

# ACTON ROUND.

*(The living of Acton Round is vacant at present.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Stamp.
Certain Documents relating to the Parish Charity.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Churchwarden.**—Kept in an oak chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1713—1799.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1800—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1768—1814.
" " 1814—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1674—1752.
Do. 1752—1796.

# ACTON SCOTT.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**

*(None.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1690—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1758.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1759—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns, 1866— do.
" Marriages, 1755—1812.
" " 1814—1835.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 13th December, 1846, *kept in the Vestry.*

# ADDERLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a desk in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Financial Statements.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in an iron chest in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1692—1754 then Baptisms and Burials only to 1772.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1772—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms | 1813—1883. |
| „ | „ | 1883—in use. |
| „ | Marriages | 1755—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1836. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Banns | 1824— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1846—in use.

Terrier of Glebe, dated 1752.

Copy of Terrier of Glebe Lands, dated 1836.

Terrier of Lands, Tithe, &c., in Adderley, dated 1884.

Church Rate Assessment Book, 1849—1867.

Agreement, with Map, dated February 24th, 1860, between the Landowners of the West of England and South Wales Drainage and Inclosure Company and Richard Corbet, Esq. for draining lands in Moreton Say, Stoke-upon-Tern, Childs Ercall, Adderley, and Drayton-in-Hales.

Justices Certificate of ditto, dated 1861.

Directors do. of ditto, dated 1863.

Various old deeds and miscellaneous Papers, &c., &c.

**The following are kept at the Rectory, viz:—**

Supervisors of Highways Account Book, 1750—1801.

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| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1752—1802. |
| do. | 1802—1863. |
| Overseer's Account Book, | 1791—1822. |
| do. | 1823—1835. |

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| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1784—1797. |
| do. | | 1798—1804. |
| do. | (Rates) | 1806—1824. |
| do. | | 1808—1813. |

Book containing names of recipients of Reynolds Charity 1767—1825.
do. 1826—1888.
do. 1889—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1840.

Deed of Exchange of several pieces of land in Adderley, dated 1790.

Order of Exchange of Lands at Adderley, dated 31st January, 1866.

A Schedule of Deeds and Papers belonging to the Parish of Adderley made the 24th April, 1789.

## ALBERBURY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the Clerk's house—*no receptacle*, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Book, *i.e.*, Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a chest at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1564—1634.
do. 1634—1661.
do. 1661—1706.
do. 1707—1735.
do. 1735—1754, then of Baptisms and Burials only to 1756.

Register containing Marriages, 1740--1752 & Burials, 1740--1779.
" containing Marriages, 1752-1754 & Baptisms, 1756-1775.
" of Baptisms, 1776—1812.
" of Banns and Marriages, 1754—1767.
" do. 1767—1812.
" Banns 1824—1850.

Vestry Minute Book, 1886—1894.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1656—1675.
do. 1679—1702.

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| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1757—1784. |
| do. | 1773—1810. |
| do. | 1809—1844. |

Assessment of Parish for Church purposes.—Upper Quarter, dated 1841.

Assessment of Parish for Church purposes.—Lower Quarter, dated 1841.

Book of Accounts of the distribution of various moneys amongst the poor of the Parish, 1767—1847.

Various Maps—Ordnance Survey.

Award as to the boundary of the Parish of Ford, dated 29th December, 1846.

Bausley Enclosure Award, dated 2nd June, 1835.

TITHE MAPS AND AWARDS, viz:—

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| Bausley | dated 7th August, 1841. |
| Bulthy | „ 1st January, 1841. |
| Cardeston | „ 6th March, 1849. |
| Criggion | „ 7th March, 1843. |
| Lower Quarter of Alberbury | „ 29th September, 1843. |
| Middleton | „ 28th June, 1850. |
| Trefnant | „ 31st January, 1844. |
| Uppington | „ 15th March, 1845. |
| Winnington | „ 3rd April, 1844. |
| Wollaston | „ 21st December, 1848. |

Tracing of Map of Parish of Alberbury.

Office Copy of Order of Exchange of Lands in the township of Bausley and Tithe Rent Charge issuing out of lands in the township of Eyton, made between The Rev. G. F. Slade, Clerk, and All Souls College, Oxford.

Conveyance, dated 12th September, 1845, of a School site at Alberbury, made between The Rev. R. W. Huntly, Vicar of Alberbury, and The Wardens and Fellows of All Souls, Oxford.

Faculty for re-seating and re-flooring the Nave of Alberbury Church, dated 13th July, 1871.

Miscellaneous papers, Apprenticeship Indentures, &c., &c.

**The following are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—**

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1857. |
| „ | „ | 1857—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1857. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813—1851. |
| „ | „ | 1851—in use. |

Churchwardens Account and Vestry Minute Book, 1843—in use.

## ALBRIGHTON *(Shifnal).*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk of the Parish Council in an iron safe at his house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Account Book.
Declaration Book.
Attendance Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Documents etc., are kept in safes in the Vestry, viz:—

* General Register, 1555—1653 *(good state of preservation and re-bound by Vicar).*

* General Register, 1660—1725. This Register contains an entry of the Burial of the only Duke of Shrewsbury, viz., the 23rd February, 1717.

* General Register, 1726—1780 (but Marriages only to 1753).

* Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1780 to the end of 1812.
" " 1813—1841.
" " 1841—1868.
" " 1868—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1857.
" " 1857—in use.
*" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.

Book of Corporation Records, including a copy of the Charter, dated 17th year of reign of Chas. II.

Small Map of new Road from Tong.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1821—1837.

Receipt and Payment Book, dated 1837, containing a few entries only.

Rate Book, dated 1838.

Register of Parish Apprentices, 1811—1835.

Eighteen Old Deeds relating to the Chapman, Bromley, Waltho, and Scott Charities. *(The more recent Deeds were stated to be in the custody of Dr. Lamb as Trustee (Parochial Charities.)*

Cosford Bridge Agreement.

Map showing boundary between the parishes of Albrighton and Patshull, together with Commissioners' Award, dated 1847.

* *These Registers have been fully transcribed by the Vicar.*

Miscellaneous Documents.

Tithe Map and Tithe Apportionment, dated 16th March, 1850.

The following list of Documents, etc., was supplied by the Clerk of the Parish Council, and stated to be in the custody of Dr. B. W. Lamb, as sole Trustee of the Charities, and kept by him in an iron safe:—

*(NOTE.—We have been informed that since the inspection of these Documents the Charity Commissioners have increased the number of Trustees to five.)*

| | | |
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| Deed of Bargain and Sale of Land, | dated | 1681. |
| Deed of Trust, purchase of Land, | „ | 1682. |
| Deed of Trust | „ | 1713. |
| Do. do. | „ | 1736. |
| Lease to Invest | „ | 1772. |
| Deed of Exchange | „ | 1772. |
| Do. Trust, Poor Land | „ | 1772. |
| Do. to Invest | „ | 1772. |
| Lease | „ | 11th February, 1791. |
| Deed of Trust | „ | 1796. |
| Do. do. | „ | 18th February, 1797. |
| Do. do. | „ | 24th June, 1848. |
| Do. do. | „ | 12th July, 1865. |
| Do. do. | „ | 9th August, 1887. |

## ALBRIGHTON *(Shrewsbury).*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman at his house, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz.:—

Terrier, dated 1884.

General Register, stated to commence 1665 (but first entry 1674) to 1790. There is a note on the first page of this Register—"The age of the old Register is the year 1563." *(N.B.—This has been lost.)*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1790—1812.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| „ | „ | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1852— do. |
| „ | Banns, | 1858— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

*(NOTE.—It will be observed that there is no Register of Marriages in this Parish from 1790 to 1852.)*

*The Vicar of Albrighton has no Tithe Map or Award, but Mr. Sparrow, of Albrighton Hall, has a copy which is dated 1845.*

# ALL STRETTON, CHURCH STRETTON & LITTLE STRETTON.

*(These three civil parishes were created in 1899 by an Order of the County Council of Salop known as "The County of Salop (Church Stretton) Urban District Order, 1899," from the old parish of Church Stretton. Church Stretton being an urban parish and All Stretton and Little Stretton rural parishes with Parish Councils. The three parishes are united for ecclesiastical purposes and known as Church Stretton.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of Mr. A. E. de Zrinyi, Clerk of the Parish Councils of All Stretton and Little Stretton,** and kept at his office in Church Stretton, viz. :—

Minute Book of Church Stretton Parish Council, 1894 to 1899.—Then used as Minute Book of All Stretton Parish Council.

Minute Book of Little Stretton Parish Council, January, 1900—in use.

Contribution Order Book—*one Book used for the 2 Councils.*

Clerk's Petty Cash Book.
Cheque Book.
} *Separate Books for the All Stretton and Little Stretton Parish Councils.*

Book of Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Agenda Book, with Register of Attendances of Councillors.
Treasurer's Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
} *Separate Books for the All Stretton, Church Stretton, and Little Stretton Parish Councils (those for Church Stretton being closed).*

Treasurer's Bond. *The Treasurer for the All Stretton Parish Council is also Treasurer for the Little Stretton Parish Council. One Bond only entered into for the two appointments.*

Hadden's Handbook of the Local Government Act, 1894—3rd Edition.
The Public Health Act, 1875, by Frederick Stratton.
Letter Book and Copying Press, &c.
} *The joint property of the All Stretton and Little Stretton Parish Councils.*

Ordnance Map, in Portfolio, of the old Parish of Church Stretton, Scale $\frac{1}{2500}$.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1661—1731. *(NOTE.—This Register contains on the first page—though apparently dating from 1661—an entry of a Baptism in 1653, of a Birth in 1655, and of a Birth in 1660.)*

General Register from 1731 to 1753—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1851. |
| " | " | 1851—in use. |
| " | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1811. |
| " | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813—1872. |
| " | " | 1873—in use. |

"A Register Book for the parish of Church Stretton wherein "is the names of all those that are interred according to a late "Act of Parliament entituled An Act for burying in Woollen," 1679—1751.

Parish Book, 1776—1878, *i.e.*, Account Book of Churchwardens, also containing certain Vestry Minutes and miscellaneous entries.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1840, *kept at the Rectory.*

Various Deeds and Papers relating to Charities.

## ALVELEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a fire-proof safe at the house of the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Financial Statements.
Book of appointments of Overseers.
Precept Book.
Valuation List, dated 1883.

Treasurer's Bond, *kept in a fire-proof safe in Alveley Schoolroom.*

*The following are kept in the Parish Council safe, viz:—*

Survey of Parish and Calculation for Poor Rate Assessment, dated 1809.

Poor Rate Assessment and Valuation, dated 1838.

Fourteen Parchment Deeds in Old English relating to Grants of Land for the use of the Poor in the Parish of Alveley and Assignment of Lands—from 1411 to 1626; also fair copies of most of these Deeds.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in the safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1561—1721.

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| Register containing | Baptisms, | 1720. |
| | Burials, | 1673—1720. |
| | Marriages, | 1702—1720. |

General Register, 1720—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1810.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Births, | | 1810—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—1840. |
| „ | „ | 1840—in use. |
| „ | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1809. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1810—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1864. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1810—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1855. |
| „ | „ | 1856—in use. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1833—in use. |

*The following are kept in a wooden chest in the Church, viz:—*

Overseers' Account Book, for 1763.

Do. 1777—1803 — also containing Minutes of Vestry Meetings.

Many Indentures of Parish Apprentices.

London Gazette of the 16th June, 1843, and 30th July, 1867—with reference to the augmentation of the Living.

London Gazette of the 29th November, 1870—with reference to the boundary of Tuck Hill ecclesiastical parish.

Terrier, dated 1837.

Various Bonds, Settlements, &c.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st December, 1852, *kept at the Vicarage.*

Ordnance Map of Parish, Scale 25 inches, Fifteen Sheets, *kept at the Vicarage*

## ANNSCROFT.

*(Annscroft is an ecclesiastical parish formed in 1872 from the parishes of Condover, St. Chad, Shrewsbury and Meole Brace.)*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

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| Register of | Baptisms, | 1870—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1873— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1871— do. |

## ASHFORD BOWDLER.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church Vestry, viz:—

General Register *(partly undecipherable and somewhat mutilated).* First entries apparently in 1630. Last entry 12th June, 1775.

General Register, 1774—1813.

Register of Baptisms, November 7th, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, December 27th, 1813 to 1st October, 1835
" " 1840—in use.
" Burials, May 17th, 1813—in use.

Copy Will of Mary Green, dated 29th July, 1831, bequeathing to the Minister and Churchwardens of the Parish of Ashford Bowdler, and their successors for the time being, £100 to be invested in their joint names in the Parliamentary stocks or public funds of Great Britain, and to pay and apply the interest, dividends, annual or other produce thereof, for and towards the better relief and support of the poor of the said Parish of Ashford Bowdler, the same to be distributed every Christmas Day to, between, or among such of the poor of the said Parish as the said Minister and Churchwardens for the time being shall consider most deserving or standing in need according to their discretion.

Codicil, dated 16th October, 1832, revoking the bequest and bequeathing £50 to Minister and Churchwardens upon the same terms.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## ASHFORD CARBONELL.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz.:—

Minute Book.
Account Book.
Old Receipt and Payment Book.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Vestry, and are in good condition, viz:—

General Register, 1653—1720. The following interesting memorandum is written at the commencement of this Register, viz:—

"Be it remembered that Abraham Howell of Ashford Carbonell "in the County of Salop Schoolmaster was the present tenth day "of October in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred "fifty and three according to the choice lately made of him by the "inhabitants of the Parish of Ashford aforesaid by virtue of a late "Act of Parliament entituled an Act touching Marriages and the "registering thereof. And also touching Births and Burialls approved "of by me Edward Whichcott Esquire one of the Justices of the "Peace in the said County to be *register* for the parish aforesaid, "and hath made oath before me the day aforesaid in * words following "duly to * * * * the said office, viz:—I Abraham Howell do "swear that I shall safely keep * * * * register book for the "parish of Ashford Carbonell in the County of Salop and that I "shall therein fairly enter or cause to be entered in writing all such "publications marriages births of children and burialls of all sorts "of persons that shall happen within the said Parish and the "names of everyone of them and the days of the months and years "publications marriages births and burialls and the parents guardians "or overseers names and in all * points do as the Act of Parliamt. "in that case lately passed enjoineth me as long as I shall continue "in the said office according to the best of my knowledge skill and "ability.

"So help me God,

"EDWARD WHICHCOTT.

"Abraham Howell did

"At the closures of the severall morning services of every of "the said dayes viz:—the 13th 20th and 27th November, 1655 being "the Lord's dayes publish the intention of a marriage" & &c. "The said * * * were intermarried in the presence of Thomas "* * * * and myself we being Justices of the Peace and upon "the first day of December anno predicto.

"EDWARD WHICHCOTT."

General Register, 1721—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
,, Marriages, 1754—1796.
,, ,, 1796—1812.
,, ,, 1813—1841.
,, ,, 1839—in use.
,, Banns, 1813—in use.
,, Burials, 1813—in use.

Copy London Gazette, June 4th, 1880, publishing contents of Instrument (Ecclesiastical Commissioners) securing grant for Parsonage House.

Copy London Gazette, 25th March, 1880, publishing Instrument securing Tithe Rent Charge to benefice.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 22nd February, 1847, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## ASH MAGNA.

*(Ash Magna is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1844, from the parish of Whitchurch.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register containing:—

Baptisms, 1837—1849
Burials, 1837—1857.

Register of Baptisms, 1849—in use.
" Marriages, 1845— do.
" Burials, 1858— do.

*(No separate Tithe Award for this parish).*

## ASTLEY.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1695—1734.
do. 1734—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1795.

Register of Burials and Baptisms, 1801—1815.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1812.
" Marriages, 1830—1841.
" " 1841—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

# ASTLEY ABBOTTS.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council and Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

Receipt and Payment Book, 1894—in use.

Precept Book.

Financial Statements.

Cheque Book.

Pass Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

Miscellaneous papers.

Minute Book of Astley Abbotts Local Board, 1862—1875*.

Highways Account Book, 1863—1875.

Surveyor of Highways Account Book, 1841—1862; continuing as the Highway Account Book of the Local Board till 1875*.

Several old London Gazettes.

Overseers' Account Book, 1848—1883.

A Plan of the Allotments on the several Commons of Shirley, Nordley, Colemore Green and Danneley, dated 1773.

Allotment Award, dated 17th October, 1775.

A Plan of the Parish of Astley Abbotts dated 1842—Scale 6 chains to an inch—*apparently a duplicate of the Tithe Map.*

Altered Apportionment of the Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes on certain lands in the Parish of Astley Abbotts, dated 23rd April, 1856.

* *Astley Abbotts Local Board was dissolved in the year 1875.*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1561—1655. *(NOTE.—At the end of this Register is a Terrier.)*

General Register, 1694—1725.

Do. 1720—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1763.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1764—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1859.
" " 1860—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1800.
" " 1800—1824.

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| Register of Marriages, | | 1813—1839. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813—1878. |
| „ | „ | 1878—in use. |

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| Vestry Minute Book, | 1848—1881. |
| Do. | 1881—in use. |

Conveyance, dated 20th January, 1873, of a site for a School in the Parish.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1842.

## ASTON BOTTERELL.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a tin box at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Vestry Minute Book, 1855—in use.

Book containing Notices of appointment of Overseers.

Precept Books.

Various papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

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| General Register, | 1559—1708. |
| Do. | 1708—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1780. |

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1780—1809. |
| „ | „ „ | 1810—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| „ | Banns, | 1824—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

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| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1783—1800. |
| Overseers' do. | 1800—1808. |

Various old papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 28th June, 1839.

## ASTON EYRE.

*(Aston Eyre is a civil parish and an ancient chapelry of the ecclesiastical parish of Morville.)*

The Parish Meeting Minute Book is the only Document, *and is kept by the Chairman of the Parish Meeting.*

*A separate Marriage Register is now (1902) used for this parish and is kept by the Vicar of Morville.*

## ATCHAM.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Bank Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Cheque Books.
Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a deed box at The Grange, Atcham, viz:—

Ledger showing receipts and payments on account of Charities.

General Register, 1621—1725.
Do. 1725—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1775.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1776—1812. This Register contains the following Memorandum on the Cover, viz:—"The Register of "Burials begins 1621; appears perfect to 1638. No entry for 1638. "From 1638 to 1645 appears perfect. No entry from the end of "year 1644 to 1657. From 1656 to 1725 appears perfect. The 2nd "Register * * begins 1725, and is very perfect to L'day, 1754, "when the Marriages are entered in another Book. From 1725 the "Registers are very perfect."

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1877.
" " 1877—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 10th May, 1849, *kept at the house of the Churchwarden.*

Quarto Book, Paper Cover—stated to be "The case about the "Court Leet of Atcham, and apparently containing copy of the Grant "by Edward 6th in 1547 to Sir Thomas Palmer, of the Manor of "Attingham, and a copy of the Grant by Queen Mary in 1553 of the "Demesne and Manor of Attingham to Sir John Gage, Knt."

Churchwardens' Account Book—apparently commencing 1693 and ending in 1784 (when the next Book was commenced), but the Book has become unbound and is very badly mutilated.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1784 to present time. This Book also contains Vestry Minutes from 1816 to 1848.

Book containing particulars of the various Charities. The following Note appears on the Cover, viz. :—"Examined by the King's "Commissioners, 1830, April."

Book containing particulars of Charities (modern).
Rate Book, 1849—1850.
Miscellaneous papers.

Terrier, dated 1718, of which the following (so far as it could be transcribed) is a copy, viz. :—

> A TERRIER or an account of the Glebe Lands, Houses, Buildings, Gardens, Orchards, Tyths, Parsons' Rights Dues, Oblations, and Profitts (as far as are known) to belong to the Vicaridge of Attingham at Atcham within the County of Salop within the Diocese of Lichfield and Coventry exhibited into the Bishop's Court at his Visitation held at Shrewsbury the * * day of * * * Anno Domini 1718.
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> There is a Vicaridge House situate in Atcham near the Church in the possession of the Vicar with a Barn Cowhouse Stable and another little * * * Building with two Gardens, the one on the backside the house and the other adjoining to the backside of the Church Yard. There is likewise two other houses in the town of Atcham belonging to the Vicaridge the one situate and being in the middle of the said town and a Garden or Orchard on the * * * thereof with a stable and a little piece of Building thereto adjoining being formerly a Shop the other situate and being at the lowest end of the town next Tern Bridge being now divided into two dwellings with a garden and a little yard or close on the backside thereof and a little * * * thereto belonging. There are certain lands belonging to the said Vicaridge lying and being near Berwick within the said Township of Atcham in the several parts divided comonly called The Vicar's Leasows adjoining to a certain lane called Greenway

Bank on the West side. And in the possession of John Smith on the East side which said Lands are now in the possession of the present Vicar. The Vicar hath no Tythe of Common but only of Home Close.

**Uckington.** The Home Closes are as followeth (vizt.) Uckington Home Close William Jones one Home Close containing twenty acres he payeth fourpence for Hay, a Calf at Ten a Lamb and a Fleece at Seven. The Vicar allowing three half-pence for three Lambs to make them Ten. And if above Ten the Owner allowing the Vicar the same he payeth either a Goose or a shilling in money every year whether he hath Geese or not. The Vicar hath other small Tythes in Uckington as Hemp Flax Eggs Piggs and the like, but a Sow of her first belly of Piggs pays no tyth thereon. Thomas Rider one Home Close about half an Acre, a shilling for Hay Wooll and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. Jonathan Rider one Home Close about half an acre one shilling and sixpence for Hay Wool and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. Richard Bayley one Home Close about half an acre (there is one * * * therein by the Pitt excepted) and another Home Close by said Lane leading to Uckington Heath fourpence for Hay a Tyth Hen at * * * * instead of a Goose Wooll and Lamb as the rest. Elias Bennett his Home Close in one large Butt of Land in the yard near the House sixpence for Hay Wooll and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. William Chilton one Home Close about an acre for Hay fourpence Wooll Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. Richd. Mocke one Home Close about two acres ten pence for Hay Wooll and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. William Pirkin one Home Close tenpence for Hay Wool and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. Thomas Lea one Home Close about an acre eightpence for Hay Wooll and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. Widow Fewtrell one Home Close haveing her Barn on the North side the Shoot on the East Bennett's house on the South and Chilton's yard on the West and also one Butt lyeing at the bottom of the Broadyard Tenpence for Hay Wooll and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. Richd. Downer his Home Close called the Broad Meadow about an acre one shilling Hay Wooll and Lamb a Goose or a shilling as before. They pay one penny a House in Uckington for their Tyth fruit.

**Berwick.** Berwick Home Close Mr. Thomas Grant one Home Close about half an acre and another Home Close

about three acres haveing a Lane that leadeth to Atcham on the South side. Mr. Richd. Calcott's house towards the West the Shoot on the North side and Mr. Hayward's House and Home Close on the East which containeth about a quarter of an acre having the Lane that leadeth to Atcham on the South and East sides. Mr. Richard Calcott one Home Close about an acre. Mr. William Calcott's Home Close about two acres and a half. The Vicar hath Tyth Hay in kind in Upton Meadow and throughout this Township a Lamb and a Fleece at Seven as he hath throughout the Parish allowing for three to make them ten. If above ten the Owner to allow the Vicar the Lamb as aforesaid. Now there is a dispute in this Town and also throughout the Parish (except Uckington) whether the odd Lambs are to be * * * after threepence or three half-pence apiece. *The Vicar hath also all small Tythes* as Hemp Flax Geese Eggs Piggs Fruit and the Like, and likewise there is another dispute in this Town and also throughout the Parish (except Uckington) whether a Sow of the first belly of Piggs shall pay Tyth to the Vicar or not, the Vicar hath a Tyth Pigg at seven throughout the Parish *and all other small Tythes as aforesaid.* John Davies one Home Close being now an Orchard

**Emstrey.** containing about an acre and a half haveing the road on the South side. William Harris one Home Close on the West side containing about three quarters of an acre haveing William Patshall's Home Close on the North side containing about an acre and a half having Andrew Gitting's Home Close on the North side containing about an acre and half, having Peter Stanway's Home Close on the North side containing about an acre having his House and the River Severn on the North side, the Holmes on the East side of them all and the Shoot on the West side. John Davies another Home Close about half an acre having the road on the South side having William Harris's other Home Close on the North side containing about an acre and half having another Home Close of William Patshall's on the North side containing about an acre having another Home Close of Andrew Gittings on the North side containing about a quarter of an acre having the River Severn on the North side thereof, *this Town payeth* fourpence a House for *Hay and Wool Lambs Piggs Geese Eggs Fruit Hemp and Flax in kind and all other small Tythes as before.* Chilton Farm Mr. William Jones

**Chilton.** three Home Closes one called Fishcraft another called

Thistle Yard containing about three acres and the other is called the Barley Yard containing about two acres for the Tyth Hay. The Vicar hath the Grass of a little Meadow the Vicar being at the Charge of mowing it making it and carrying it away. The Vicar hath a Calf at ten *Wooll Lambs Geese Piggs Eggs Fruit Hemp and Flax as before.* Rowland Evans two Home Closes one called Stephen's Yard about an acre and half and the other about a Quarter of an acre haveing John Shipman's Hemp Cutt on the East the Lane on the South West Richard Price's Home Close on the North John Shipman's House and Land which containeth about a quarter of an acre. Richd. Pryce another Home Close about half an acre having John Shipman's New Inclosure on the North side of them all three and the lane on ye South side of them foxes Tenemt. pays to ye Vicar two shillings and sixpence per annum for Hay. Stephen's Tenemt. pays the same. Rowland Evans pays the like for his Tenemt. John Shipman pays the same *Wooll, Lambs, Piggs, Geese, Fruit, Eggs,* Hemp Flax the like in kind. Cronkhill, Thomas Bishop two Home Closes one called the Criftings about three quarters of an acre the other Home Close haveing a lane on the South side the Moor Meadow on the North side the Pinfold Rank on the East side and a footway on the West side. This Township pays Tyth Hay in kind, Wooll, Lambs, Piggs, Eggs, Fruit, Hemp, Flax, and all other small Tyths the like. There is a yearly Sume of One shilling and * * * and * * * to the Vicar from Duncot Mill lying within the said Parish and Duncot Close lying within the Township of Uckington pays the same Tyths with Uckington. There is the sume of Four-pounds per Annum paid and due to the Vicar out of Mr. Gage's Chief Rent having out of Atcham, Atcham Grange which said four-pounds per annum was left as a legacy by one of Mr. Gage's Ancestors to ye said Owner for ever forty-shillings whereof the landlord of Atcham pays the other forty-shillings. Robert Burton, Esq., pays being Owner of Atcham Grange. There is twenty-shillings * * * in dispute between the Vicar and the Landlord of Atcham, which the Vicar says is his * * * Close or Tyth Hay belong to the Township of Atcham (which the late Vicar Mr. Butler received as his due during all the time he was Vicar of Atcham * * * above * * * Thirty years). And also there is six-shillings and eight-pence now in dispute which the said Vicar

**Cronkhill.**

**Atcham.**

finds (by an old Terrier or Presentment bearing out his rights, twentyeth day of June Anno Domini 1635) to be his due from Tern Mills lying within the said Township of Atcham but is now yearly paid to the Vicar. The Vicar is to have Mortuaries *Herbage* Wooll Lamb Hay Hemp Flax Eggs Piggs Geese Fruit as aforesaid throughout the said Parish *and all other Vicariall Tyths* Books Surplice fees and other oblations * * * whatsoever heretofore due accustomed * * * said Parish of *Atcham Grange belonging to Robert Burton, Esq., only exempted* and we believe the said Robt. Burton, Esq., to be the sole * * * Patron of ye said Parish * * * receives at Easter as followeth (vizt.) for every house and garden * * * man and his wife offering fourpence * * * fourpence * * * every cow one penny and every calf a halfpenny for every horse colt fourpence for every filley colt twopence for every stallion cut down * * * twopence for every * * * fourpence throughout the Parish * * * as to the Vicar for Christening and Registering every child one shilling for burying * * * one shilling * * * ten shillings * * * Parish.

**Easter Roll.**

In witness * * * * * * *

* * * * * * have hereunto * * *

SAMUEL JONES, VICAR.

Copies of Terriers, dated 1698 and 1705.

Map, dated 1831, showing the Parish Church and Glebe Lands.

Assessment of the Parish for Poor Rate purposes, dated 1837.

Deed, dated 1724, endorsed as follows, viz. :—"The Reverd. Mr. "Samuel Jones's Purchase Deed of a Piece of Ground called Atcham "Leasow. for ye use of ye Vicar of Atcham for the time being and "to his successors for ever. Cons. money, £75."

Surveyors of Highways' Account Book, 1741—1757.

Overseers' Account Book, 1766—1790.

Terrier, dated 1845.

## BADGER.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1713—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812 (with copies of certain entries from a previous Register, the whereabouts of which is unknown).

Register of Baptisms, 1813— in use.
" Marriages, 1757—1808.
" " 1808—1812.
" " 1813—1836.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1840—1862.
" " 1898—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1679 *(in very bad condition).*

Surveyors of Highways Account Book, 1768—1829.

Various Papers and Accounts.

Poor Rate Levy Book, 1833—1846.

Deed of Bargain and Sale, dated 31st January, 1783, of a Rent Charge to the use of the Poor of the Parish of Badger.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## BARROW.

*Barrow is a parish within the borough of Wenlock. (The Rector of Barrow is also Rector of Willey).*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1727—1754, then Baptisms and Burials to 1789.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1790—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1823.
" " 1824—1843.
" " 1850—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1786.
" " 1786—1808.
" " 1808—1812.

Register of Marriages, 1813—1847.
" " 1847—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1826.
" " 1825—1845 *(imperfect).*
" " 1839—1849 *(supplementary to the previous Register and containing many entries omitted therefrom).*
" " 1850—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1860—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1629—1782 *(in bad condition). Kept in an iron safe at Willey Rectory.*
Do. 1828—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1838, *kept at Willey Rectory.*

## BASCHURCH.

*(NOTE.—The Parish of Baschurch includes, for ecclesiastical purposes, the chapelry of Little Ness.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a deed box at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Receipt and Payment Book, 1895—1900.
Do. 1900—in use.
Treasurer's Book.
Cash Book.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Book of appointment of Overseers.
Treasurer's Bond for £250, dated 26th March, 1900.

Agreement, dated 20th January, 1898, made between C. F. K. Mainwaring, Esq., and the Parish Council for the taking of 6a. 2r. 39p. of land for allotment purposes.

Agreement, dated 20th August, 1898, made between the Parish Council and T. R. Reeves for the taking of an allotment of 3a. 2r. 27p.

Agreement, dated 27th July, 1900, made between the Parish Council and Wm. Cadwallader for the taking of an allotment of 3a. 0r. 12p.

*The following are also kept at the Clerk of the Parish Council's house:—*

Valuation Books from 1863 to present time.
Rate Books from 1863 to present time.
Monthly Statement Books from 1870 to present time.
Receipt and Deposit Books from 1863 to present time.
Receipt and Payment Books from 1848 to present time.

**Documents in ths custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1600—1750—and transcript of same. In 1662 this Register contains the following Memoranda, viz:—

"Memorandum yt George Hudson were inducted into ye "Vicaridge and Parish Church of BasChurch ye 29 day of Novem- "ber 1662

"Thomas Gough, Churchwarden.
"Joh. Rogers.
"Richard Palyn.
"Thomas Cotton.

"Memorandum yt George Hudson, Vicar, declared his assent "and consent to all and everything contayned in ye booke of "Comon praier together wth ye abjuration of ye oath called ye "Solemne League and Covēnt in ye Parish Church of BasChurch "ye 21th day of December 1662 in ye hearing of

"John Atcherley.
"Thomas Gough.

"Memorandum yt George Hudson Vicar reade ye 39 Articles "and declared his assent and consent to ym openly on ye lord's "day in ye Parish Church of BasChurch ye 18 day of January 1662 "in ye hearing of

"Joh Atcherley.
"Thomas Gough.
"Churchwardens."

General Register, 1720—1754—then of Baptisms and Burials only to 1784. The following note appears in 1783, viz:—

"*1783 October. Tax on Christenings, Burials and Marriages* "*commences.*"

General Register for *Little Ness*, 1605—1737 *(transcript).*

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1784—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1856. |
| ,, | ,, | 1857—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |

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| Register of Marriages, | 1837—in use. |
| „ Banns, | 1823— do. |
| „ Burials, | 1813—1878. |
| „ „ | 1878—in use. |

Overseers' Account and Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1687—1727

*The following are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—*

**Tithe Maps and Awards** of the following Townships, viz:—

Fenemere, Walford, Eyton, Yeaton and Prescott, dated 24th March, 1843.

*Little Ness*, dated 2nd December, 1846.

Baschurch, Boreatton, Birch, Newtown, Meerhouse, Stanwardine-in-the-Fields, Weston Lullingfield and Stanwardine-in-the-wood, dated 4th July, 1846.

Certain Lands in Fenemere, Walford, Eyton and Yeaton, dated 22nd December, 1853.

Baschurch, Boreatton, Birch, Newtown, Meerhouse, Stanwardine-in-the-Fields, Weston Lullingfield, and Stanwardine-in-the-Wood, dated 31st December, 1853.

Certain Lands in the Townships of Fenemere, Walford, Eyton, Yeaton and Prescott, dated 6th July, 1856.

Certain Lands in the Townships of Fenemere, Wallop, Eyton, and Prescott, dated 7th May, 1857.

Altered apportionment of Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes on certain lands in the Chapelry of *Little Ness*, dated 19th December, 1878.

Award referring to certain lands partly glebe and awarded to the Vicar of Baschurch, and to certain lands awarded to the Earl of Powis, dated 30th November, 1849.

Reduced Plans of the different townships in the Parish of Baschurch.

A Book endorsed "Particulars of the Parish of Baschurch"—*(no date given).*

An old Terrier on Paper *(no date given).*

Terrier, dated 1841.
Do. „ 20th April, 1869.

Faculty, dated 1790.
Do. do. 1883

A list of the Baschurch Charities.

An old Rate Book.

Miscellaneous papers.

## BATTLEFIELD.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1665—1747.

Copy of above and continued to 3rd August, 1812. It contains the following note, viz:—"The old Register of Battlefield was in "paper and very ill wrote and kept in *some places* therefore it is "transcribed into this by me Leonard Hotchkis. I was licensed "Curate of this Church September 28th, 1749. The Church was "then down." *(N.B.—This means that the roof of the nave was off.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1811.
„ „ 1814—1830.
„ „ 1840—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Overseers' and Churchwardens' Account Book, 1772—1824.

Churchwardens' Book (Collections and Expenses) in present use.

Extract from the Will of Richard Winnall providing for a Sermon to be preached in commemoration of his Mother.

Terrier, dated, 23rd July, 1718.
„ „ 21st September, 1752.
„ „ September, 1756.
„ „ 7th August, 1787.
„ „ 6th September, 1836, and 7th September, 1841.
„ „ 14th August, 1845

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## BAYSTON HILL.

*(Bayston Hill is an ecclesiastical parish formed in 1844 from the parishes of St. Julian's, Shrewsbury and Condover.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage. viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1846—in use.
„ Marriages, 1847—in use.
„ Burials, 1846—in use.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## BECKBURY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a "shannon file cabinet" at the office of the Clerk, Badger Hall, Shropshire, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Receipt Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Financial Statements.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1661—1738.
Do. 1738—1783.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1783—1811. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1848. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—in use. |

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1744—1818.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 20th August, 1887, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## BEDSTONE.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Assistant Overseer, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1719—1756—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1769.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1769—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1756—1810. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1826—1896. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1814—1836. |
| ,, | ,, | 1840—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—in use. |

Overseers' Account Book commencing in 1802; also containing Minutes of Parish and Vestry Meetings in 1842 and subsequent years, and now used as a Vestry Minute Book.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1844.

## BENTHALL.

*(Benthall is a parish within the jurisdiction of the municipal borough of Much Wenlock.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**--Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1640—1675—endorsed as a *transcript* of Much Wenlock Register, relating to Benthall, 1558—1638.

General Register, 1643—1722.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1723—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1872. |
| ,, | ,, | 1874—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1756—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1882. |
| ,, | ,, | 1882—in use. |

Book containing Overseers' Accounts, 1814—1837 and Vestry Minutes, 1813—1871. *(N.B.—This Book contains certain entries with reference to the Parochial Charities.)*

Vestry Minute Book, 1872—in use.

Miscellaneous papers.

*(See List of Documents for "Much Wenlock," which states that Much Wenlock Tithe Maps and Award (including Benthall) are kept at the Vicarage.)*

## BERRINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**--Kept in a bureau at the Clerk of the Parish Council's house at Crosshouses, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.

Book containing statement of Charities and of their receipts and expenditure.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following Documents, etc., are kept in a chest in the Church, viz.:—

General Register, 1597—1727. In Latin to 1651, in English to end of 1654, and again in Latin to 1687.

General Register, 1728—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1793.

Register of Baptisms, and Burials, 1793—1812.
" " 1813—1849.
" " 1849—1883.
" " 1883—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1812.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1853—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1849.
" " 1849—in use.
Vestry Minute Book, 1848—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1680—1830. *This Book contains many entries of amounts collected on Briefs. The first being as follows, viz:—*

"*5th Octr., 1692.* "Tangeere Collected then in the Parish "of Berrington in the Countye of Salop towards the relief of the "Poore sufferers and captives at Tangeere the sum of One pound "foure shillings and foure pence which sum was received by Mr. "Archdeacon."

Old leather case containing a Document in old English, endorsed "An Order about the Love Feast Dated 1639" "Given at Newport "this 27th day of August Anno Domi 1639."

*The following copy of this document has been taken from the "Shropshire Archæological Transactions of 1895" (p. 203).*

(Seal defaced) Rob. Co. Likel. "Robert by God's divyne "providence Lord Bushopp of Coven' and Lichfield To all whom "theis presents may concerne greetinge fforasmuch as there hath "beene, tyme out of mynd, an auntient custome used w'thin the "parishe of Berington in our diocese of Coventry and Lichfield that "the parson of the said parish for the tyme being hath yearely upon "Easter day feasted all the parishioners and Land-houlders wthin "that parishe with a love-feast the solempnyty of wch feast was ever "yet performed in the Church (a thing noe-lesse profane than "irreligious) And whereas allso the said parishioners for the perpetuall

"establishment and better confirmac'on of the said custome have "peticoned Sr Richard Lea Barronet patron of the said Rectorie "that they the said parishioners may yearely and without molestac'on "of him or the succeedinge incumbent freely enjoy the liberty "thereof, he the said Sr Richard Lea hath condiscended to their "request. Now the said parishioners doe humbly desire, that although "we by our letter have prohibited the said Custome, to be "maynetayned or observed in the Church (as beinge a thinge "altogeather unfitt to be performed in soe holy a place), yet, by our "confirmac'on under seale, wee would ratify and confirme the same "for posterity unto them, Wee therefore at their humble petico'n "doe by these presents pronounce the said custome to have beene, "and to be due from the parson of Berington for the time beinge, "to the said parishioners yearely And doe decree that the same be "yearely tendred unto them by the said parson upon Munday in Easter "weeke to be celebrated in any place convenyent for the same (the "church only excepted), in as good and ample manner as at any "tyme heretofore it hath beene usually celebrated

"In witnes and confirmac'on of wch custome we have hereunto "put our hande and seale Episcopall: Geven at Newport this xxijth "day of August An'o d'ni 1639 iuxta &c and in the seaventh yeare "of our translac'on."

*NOTE.—The Rev. A. Thursby-Pelham, who transcribed the Order, kindly lent us the Volume of the 'Transactions' in which it appears.*

*The paper upon it, contained in pages 204-5-6 of the 'Transactions,' is extremely interesting.*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1844, *kept in a case at the Rectory.*

## BETTWS.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the school in the charge of the Schoolmaster, who is also Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—

Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declaration Book.
Bettws Hill Inclosure Award and Map, dated 1864.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1695—1741 *(very dilapidated).*
" " " 1744—1783.
" " " 1785—1812.

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1875. |
| „ | „ | 1875—in use. |
| „ | Banns of Marriage, | 1759—1798. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1798—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1838—1889. |
| „ | „ | 1890—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1842— 1868.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of Kevencalonog Township, dated 1844.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of Rhugantine and Trebodier Townships, dated 1847.

## BICTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up desk at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Precept Book.
Financial Statements.
Letter Book.
Miscellaneous papers.
Ordnance Map of the Parish—6-inch scale.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry viz:—

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1853—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1857— do. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1854— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1853— do. |

Miscellaneous papers.

*(See List of Documents for "St. Chad," which states that St. Chad Tithe Maps and Awards (including Bicton) are kept in the Vestry.*

## BILLINGSLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1626—1732. *(NOTE.—This Register was, apparently, commenced at an earlier date as several leaves appear to have been cut out.)*

Register containing, at the commencement, Baptisms and Burials from 1739 to 1812, and Marriages from 1761 to 1812 at the end of same.

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| Register of | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1848. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1828—1848. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—in use. |

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1840.

## BISHOP'S CASTLE RURAL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a drawer in the Clerk of the Parish Council's house, viz:—

Minute Book.
Vestry Meeting Minute Book, 1870—1894.

## BISHOP'S CASTLE URBAN (Borough.)

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a chest in the Belfry, viz:—

General Register, 1559—1662. The following note appears on the cover of this Register, viz:—"The Register Book began in the "30th year of H. 8. by ye instigation of ye Ld. Cromwell, *vide* "Godolphin p. 145."

General Register, 1663—1715.
Do. 1716—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1759.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1760—1790. This Register has the following lines on the inside of the back cover viz:—

"A friend had called on John Wingfield who was Curate here "and not finding him at home wrote the following lines and stuck them "on the knocker on the door—

"The Bishop I find had a Castle behind
"but the Bishop and Castle are flown
"For the Bishop, God wot
"Could not dwell in a spot
"Which Satan had marked for his own.

"Then fly Wingfield fly, ere the wrath from on high
"This damnable place has o'er taken
"What Curate of Grace
"Would dwell in a place
"By God and the Bishop forsaken?"

*(NOTE.—Wingfield was Curate in the latter part of the 18th Century.)*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1791—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1843.
" " 1843—1859.
" " 1859—1881.
" " 1881—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1852.
" " 1852—1889.
" " 1889—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1786.
" " 1787—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1823—1884.

Vestry Minute Book for Bishop's Castle Borough, 1858—in use.

Vestry Minute Book of Bishop's Castle and Churchwardens' Account Book, 1858—1874.

Do. a Minute Book, 1871—1885.

Account Book of Charities, 1864—in use.

Faculty, dated 1859, for restoring Church.

Certain Deeds relating to Glebe Land.

Bastardy Orders, Settlements, Orders for Removal.

Apprenticeship Indentures.

*The following Tithe Maps and Awards are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—*

Township of Woodbatch, dated 13th August, 1842.
Township of Colebatch, dated 10th June, 1843.
Township of Lea and Oakeley, dated 11th March, 1845.
Township of Broughton, dated 31st December, 1847.
Borough and Township of Bishop's Castle, dated 13th December, 1844.

## BITTERLEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following Documents are kept in a deed box in the Schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.

Contribution Order Book.
Various Circulars of Local Government Board.
Correspondence (Local Government Acts).
The Parish Council Minute Book is kept by the Clerk of the Parish Council.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron chest at Bitterley Court by the Rector, viz:—

General Register, 1658—1716.
Do. 1717—1735.
Do. 1737—1754 then Baptisms and Burials only to 1798.

Register of Births and Christenings, 1799—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1894.
" " 1894—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1798.
" Marriages, 1799—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1799—1812.
" " 1813—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, April, 1824, to February 28th, 1895.

A Book containing particulars of the distribution of the Charities.

Bank Pass Book relating to Accounts of certain Charities.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 22nd April, 1842, *kept at the Rectory.*

## BOLAS MAGNA.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1651—1679.

The following is a copy of an entry which appears in the year 1663, viz:—

"October 19 1663—I read the Articles of Religion in my "Parish Church at Morning Prayer and declared twice that day "according to an Act of Parliament and giving my assent and con-

"sent to the Book of Common Prayer &c of this stepe (sic) * *
"give testimony

"George Hatton, (F) his mark } wardens."
"Richard Wall, (P) his mark }

*(NOTE.—The names are very faint and may not be as given above.)*

*(N.B.—The Rector at the time was John Turner—he spelled his name "John Tourneour"—he was Rector for 48 years.)*

General Register, 1679—1722.
Do. 1723—1755—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1805.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1805—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1755—1808.

*(N.B.—This Register contains the entry of the Marriage, on the 13th April, 1790, of John Jones and Sarah Hoggins. The John Jones being Lord Burleigh, who afterwards became Earl of Exeter. Sarah Hoggins was the daughter of a small Farmer.)*

Register of Marriages, 1809—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

*The following Documents are kept in a chest in the Belfry, viz:—*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1699—1799.
Do. do. 1887—in use.
Overseers' Account Book, 1698—1769.
Do. 1770—1817.

*(N.B.—This Book contains entries of Rates paid by Lord Burleigh, afterwards The Earl of Exeter. He figures in the Accounts for 1790 and 1791 as "Mr. Jones," in 1792 as "John Jones, Esquire," and in 1793 as "The Right Honourable The Earl of Exeter.")*

Overseers' Account Book, 1818—1836.

Terrier, dated 9th September, 1841.
Do. do. 23rd July, 1849.
Do. do. 20th April, 1869.

Allotment Enclosure Award, with Map attached, dated 1st February, 1880.

Vestry Minute Book, 1823—1828.
Do. do. 1829—1840.
Do. do. 1841—1861.

Tracing of Tithe Map, dated 1856, *kept at the Rectory.*

## BONNINGHALL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe at the house of the Churchwarden, viz:—

General Register, 1698—1750, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns of Marriages, 1826—in use.
" Marriages, 1758—1812.
" " 1813—1834.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1814—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1787—1821.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1785—1821.
Do. 1821—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1858—in use.

Apprenticeship Indentures and Register.

Book of Homilies (black letter), title-page missing—date uncertain.

Miscellaneous papers.

Terrier of lands, &c., dated 1884.

Tithe Map and Tithe Apportionment, 1837.

List of fields as shown on Map with occupiers.

Faculty, dated February, 1861, for altering Church.

Title Deeds of Bonninghall Church of England School.

Conveyance, dated 1812, of house and garden to John Broughall and others, charged with £30 and interest in favour of the industrious poor.

Conveyance, dated 1860, of house and garden to Mr. Henry Ward, subject to £30 in favour of the poor parishioners of Bonninghall.

Sealed Order of Commissioners, dated 15th January, 1892, for redemption of Chapman's Charity.

Very fine old Silver Chalice, 1579. Modern Silver paten.

## BORASTON & WHATMORE.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

Overseers' Book of Receipts and Payments, 1826—1842.

Circulars from Local Government Board.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes in the township of Boraston and Whatmore, in the parish of Burford, 30th September, 1844.

Register of Marriages, 1837—in use.

*(NOTE.—The Registers of Baptisms and Burials for Nash are also the Registers for Boraston.)*

*See list of documents for "Nash," which includes various documents relating to Boraston and Whatmore.*

## BOSCOBEL.

*(We were informed that there were no documents, &c., in this Parish, and that if any documents referring to the Parish were in existence they would be found with the Donington documents.)*

## BOURTON.

*(Bourton and Callaughton form a township in the parish of Much Wenlock—the living is a Perpetual Curacy in the gift of and held by the Vicar of Wenlock.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1841—in use.
" Burials, 1841— do.

# BRIDGNORTH *(Borough).*

*(The borough of Bridgnorth is divided, ecclesiastically, into two parishes,* i.e., *St. Leonard's and St. Mary Magdalene.)*

## ST. LEONARD'S *(Bridgnorth).*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1551—1697.
Do. 1681—1754—then of Baptisms and Burials only to 1793.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1794—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1839. |
| ,, | ,, | 1839—1870. |
| ,, | ,, | 1870—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1771. |
| ,, | ,, | 1772—1798. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1798—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1856. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1874. |
| ,, | ,, | 1874—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1844. |
| ,, | ,, | 1844—in use. |

## ST. MARY MAGDALENE *(Bridgnorth).*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a desk at the Rectory, viz:—

Treasurer's Account Book of the "New Parish of St. Mary "Magdalene," 1790—1817. *(NOTE.—The new Church was built by Telford and was consecrated in 1794.)*

"Journal of the new Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene," 1790—1817.

Deed allocating the various Pews or Sittings in the Church, dated 1792 *(now obsolete).*

Various papers in connection with certain improvements to the Church.

Faculty for confirming the erection of the Organ and Organ Gallery, dated 1830.

Faculty for taking down and removing the Galleries in the Church, dated 3rd August, 1889.

**The following Documents are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—**

General Register from 1610—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1803. *(NOTE.—Very few entries from 1645 to 1649.)*

*In 1664 the following note appears, viz:—*

"From this time note That divers of these Parties after "written Living and Borne in the Parish of St. Mary in Bridgnorth "In time of Warr and case of Necessity were both Buryed and "Baptized in and at the Parish of St. Leonard in the Towne afore-"said."

*N.B.—This is probably explained by the fact that the Church of St. Mary Magdalene was actually in the Castle Grounds and that on the 26th April, 1646, the Castle capitulated to Cromwell, who directed the operations against it.*

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| Register of | Births and Christenings, | 1803—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1839. |
| ,, | ,, | 1839—1862. |
| ,, | ,, | 1862—1889. |
| ,, | ,, | 1889—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1791. |

Register of Marriages, 1791—1812. The following curious note is placed against a Marriage on the 8th May, 1800, between a certain Thomas Powell, a Widower, of the Parish of Abergavenney, and Sarah Shaw, of this Parish, viz:—"This marriage has been solemnized by "mistake under a License granted by the Archbishop of Canterbury and "is supposed to be void.". This seems, to use the words of the present Rector, "to be a little incoherent, not to say contradictory. How could "it be solemnized under that Authority and yet be regarded as of no "validity?"

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| Register of | Marriages, | 1813—1848. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1864. |
| ,, | ,, | 1864—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1771—1808. |
| ,, | ,, | 1876—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1804—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1844. |
| ,, | ,, | 1844—1873. |
| ,, | ,, | 1873—in use. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st July, 1841.

*There is an old oak table in the Vestry upon which Oliver Cromwell is said to have written many despatches after the capitulation of the Castle.*

## BROMFIELD.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Minute Book.

Declarations of Parish Councillors Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Rough Receipt and Payment Book.

Pass Book.

Treasurer's Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Books, etc., are kept in an iron chest in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1559—1685, and Paper Copy thereof down to the year 1617.

General Register, 1691—1731.
Do. 1732—1812.
Do. *of the Chapelry of Halford*, 1597—1759.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1868.
" " 1868—in use.
" Marriages, 1807—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1755—1807.
" " 1824—1871.
" " 1871—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1892.
" " 1892—in use.

Book of Epitaphs in Bromfield Church Yard.

Parish Accounts, 1660—1696.

Scheme of Charles Foxes Charity, sealed 4th July, 1863, by Charity Commissioners.

Deed of Trust, dated 14th January, 1830, of Wellings' Charity—also two copies thereof and Certificate of Charity Commissioners of the Funds being invested in the names of the Official Trustees.

Extract from the Will of Janns Brettell Vaughan relating to his Charity and Certificate of Funds being in the names of the Official Trustees.

Extract from the Will of the Revd. T. J. Longworth relating to his Charity and Certificate of the Funds being in the names of the Official Trustees.

*The following Books, &c., are kept in an oak chest in the Church, viz:—*

Six Minute Books of Vestry Meetings, 1803, to present time.

Twenty-five Volumes of Overseers' Accounts.

Two Books of Churchwardens' Accounts, 1760—1863.

Forty-three Overseers' Rate Books.

A large and various quantity of Overseers' Accounts, &c., prior to the new Poor Law.

Two Books of Church Rates.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st December, 1847, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## BROMPTON AND RHISTON

*(Brompton and Rhiston is a township in the ecclesiastical parish of Churchstoke, Montgomeryshire—for civil purposes it is a parish in Shropshire.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept on a bookshelf at the "Blue Bell" Inn, where the Parish Meetings are held, viz:—

Book, commencing in 1847, containing a record of Parish Meetings for the purpose of appointing Overseers, Churchwardens, Constables, &c., also Overseers Accounts—now used as the Parish Meeting Minute Book.

## BROSELEY.

*(Broseley is a parish within the jurisdiction of the municipal borough of Much Wenlock.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Assistant Overseer,** kept at his house viz:—

Vestry Minute Book, 1826—in use.

Large Map *(in tin case)* of the Parish, endorsed as belonging to the Parish.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1570—1667.
Do. 1663—1720.
Do. 1722—1741.
Do. 1741—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1756.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1766—1797.
" " " 1798—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1833.
" " 1833—1847.
" " 1848—1866.
" " 1866—1894.
" " 1894—in use.

Register of Marriages, 1754—1768.
„ „ 1768—1782.
„ „ 1782—1802.
„ „ 1802—1812.
„ „ 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—1859.
„ „ 1859—1894.
„ „ 1894—in use.
„ „ for *Broseley-cum-Linley* from 1860—in use.

*(N.B.—The Linley entries were made in the other Registers prior to 1860.)*

Register of Banns, 1846—1896.
„ Burials, 1813—1839.
„ „ 1839—1878.
„ „ 1878—in use.
Vestry Minute Book, 1842—1844.

Book of Accounts of Charities—Payments to Poor Widows.

Tithe Map and Award, *kept at the Rectory.*

*(NOTE.—This Tithe Map also includes Jackfield and Linley.)*

## BROUGHTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office by Parish Councillors.
Treasurer's Guarantee Policy.
Various Orders and Circulars of Local Government Board and County Council.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1707—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1774 *(very mutilated and largely undecipherable).*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1774—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1754—1835.
„ Marriages, 1815—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Faculty, dated 1858, for rebuilding new Church, and Plans of same.

Order of Exchange, dated 7th June, 1883, between S. Hudson and Revd. J. Wright, Vicar, of lands situate in the townships of Wem, and Lowe and Ditches in the Parish of Wem.

Certified Copy of Award of Exchange, dated December, 1868, of certain lands in the Parish of Guilsfield, Montgomery.

## BUCKNELL.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk in a lock-up chest, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.
Parish Council do.
Cheque Book.
Bank Pass Book.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Notices of Appointment of Overseers.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz.:—

General Register, 1598—1675.
do. 1703—1742.
do. from 1743 to 1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1857.
" " 1857—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1877.
" " 1877—in use.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1st January, 1842.
Altered Apportionment, dated 27th February, 1868.
Do. do. 4th May, 1871.
} *Kept at the Vicarage*

## BUILDWAS.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1665—1754.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1755—1796. |
| ,, | ,, | 1796—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1792. |
| ,, | ,, | 1792—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1819. |
| ,, | ,, | 1819—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Apportionment of the Tithe Rent Charge, dated 18th February, 1847.

Vestry Minute Book, 1862—1895.

London Gazette, dated 12th September, 1865, and 15th May, 1868.

## BURFORD.

*(The civil parish of Burford now comprises the ecclesiastical parishes of—*

*1. St. Mary with Boraston and Nash (1st Portion);*
*2. Whitton (2nd Portion);*
*3. St. Mary (3rd Portion);*

*but originally the civil and ecclesiastical parishes appear to have been coterminous.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Treasurer's Book.
Declarations of Parish Councillors' Book.
Bank Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory of the 3rd portion, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1756 *(very interesting).*
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1757—1814.
,, Baptisms, 1813—1841.

Register of Baptisms, 1841—in use. *(Of the whole parish to 1st January, 1845, from which date separate Registers have been kept for Nash and Boraston.)*

Register of Marriages, 1754—1797.
" " 1797—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns of Marriage, 1797—1823.
" " 1824—1848.
" " 1849—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1871.
" " 1872—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1756—1827.

Overseers' Account Book, 1829, and Vestry Minute Book. It is still used for the latter purpose.

Parish Book *(i.e., Overseers' Accounts and Parish Meeting Book)*, 1788—1828.

Burford Parish Order Book, 1817—1834 *(i.e., Overseers' Accounts).*

Several Books containing entries showing how the Charities are disbursed.

Counterpart Mortgage securing £146 and Interest (McLaughlin to Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty).

Tithe Map of the Township (*i.e.*, Parish) of Burford, and the Apportionment, dated the 14th September, 1844.

## BURWARTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman at his house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

*(N.B.—The Rev. N. R. Ramsay, Rector of this parish and Cleobury North, absolutely denied the right of the County Council to go through the Parish Chest, but admitted the right to see the Tithe Map and promised to send the date of the Apportionment—which he did, stating that it was 1836.)*

## CAINHAM.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following Documents are kept in a wooden chest at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.

Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Overseers' Accounts from 1829—1836.
Churchwardens' and Overseers' Accounts, 1700—1771
do. do. 1798—1807.

A Statement of the Accounts of the Surveyors of the Roads in the township of Caynham, 1850—1893.

Various Rate Books.

Two Drawings of the Birmingham Water Works for this Parish in course of construction.

*The chest, which is a very large one, contains a mass of old papers, Rate Books, Receipts, &c., &c., in the greatest confusion and the most dilapidated condition.*

*The Parish Council own a piece of land containing 1r. 9p., which is rented at 7s. 6d. per annum. There are no Title Deeds relating to it.*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Parish Vestry, viz:—

"The Register Booke of the parishe of Caynham beginninge at the yeare of the lord 1558." Last entry 25th July, 1684.

The "Register of ye Weddinge Christeninge and Buriall in ye parish of Caynham from ye yeare 1685." Last entry December 31st, 1785. The following is a copy of a Note on paper attached to the end of Register, viz:—"Received the Duty on Registers for the parish of Cainham collected by the Revd. Mr. Clarke from Octr. 1st 1784 to the same date 1785. J. Owen."

General Register, Jany. 12th, 1786—1804.

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| Last entries | 15th Jany., | 1805. | Baptism. |
| | 8th Novr., | 1804. | Marriage. |
| | 11th Novr. | 1804. | Burial. |

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1805—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1852.
" " 1853—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1812.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1886.
" " 1888—in use.

Award, dated 26th September, 1780, enclosing the Common or Waste Land within the Parish of Cainham, and exchanging lands and tithes within the said Parish.

Tithe Map and Award, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## CALVERHALL.

*(Calverhall is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed in 1854 from the parish of Prees. It was formerly a chapelry of Prees. The earliest place of worship was consecrated in 1726.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1844—in use.
„ Burials, 1815—in use.

An old book, containing records of Births and Deaths, but kept informally and without signatures—the earliest date is 1668.

## CARDINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage *(NOTE.—The Vicar is Chairman of the Parish Council)*, viz:—

Parish Council and Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Book of Overseers' Appointments.
Book containing Charity Accounts and Minutes of Charity Trustees.
Miscellaneous papers.
Various old Documents referring to—
1. Tipton's Charity.
2. Mansell's do.
3. Russell's do.

*(NOTE.—There are other Charities, but no documents referring to them.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1595—1636.
Do. 1648—1735.
Do. 1730—1754—then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1851.
„ „ 1851—1900.
„ „ 1901—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1813—1836.

Register of Marriages, 1837—in use.
„ Banns, 1824— do.
„ Burials, 1813—1870.
„ „ 1871—in use.

Tithe Maps and Awards of the following townships, viz:—
Chatwall, dated 3rd May, 1841.
Plaish, dated 12th February 1844.
Holt Preen, dated 19th March, 1846.
Broome, dated 22nd December, 1848.
The whole of the parish of Cardington and including the townships, dated 13th February, 1847.

## CARDISTON.

*(Cardiston is an ecclesiastical parish only—for civil purposes it is attached to the parish of Alberbury.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1706—1740.
Do. 1741—1754, then Baptisms only to 1808.

Register of Baptisms, 1808—1812.
„ „ 1813—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1756—1812.
„ Marriages, 1813—1875.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Burials, 1877— do.

Book containing Easter Vestry Minutes and Churchwardens' Accounts, 1715—1782.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1790—1821.
do. 1825—1883.
Overseers' Account Book, 1782—1804.
do. 1805—1837.
Rate Book, 1829—1837.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 16th April, 1850.

## CHELMARSH.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up desk in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.

Financial Statements.

Declarations of Acceptance of Office Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Parish Council Pass Book.

Parish Poor Allotment Pass Book.

Hand Book on the Local Government Act, 1894.

Treasurer's Bond.

Register of tenants of "Poor Land."

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1557—1750.

Do. 1751—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1868. |
| „ | „ | 1868—in use. |
| „ | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1846. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1823— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1814— do. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1827— do. |
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | | 1837— do. |

Book endorsed "Chelmarsh and Ryton," containing very many entries of amounts received from parishes in various counties for the purpose, it is supposed, of defraying the cost of rebuilding the tower of Chelmarsh Church. *(NOTE.—There is no date on the book—but the tower was rebuilt in the beginning of the 18th Century.)*

**The following are kept at the Vicarage,** viz.:—

Common Inclosure Map and Award, dated 8th November, 1866.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 19th September, 1839.

## CHERRINGTON.

*(The Tibberton documents apply to Cherrington with the exception of Parish Meeting Minute Book.)*

# CHESWARDINE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the parish chest in the Church, viz. :—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Financial Statements.
Precept Book.
Vestry Minute Book, 1809—1842.
do. 1861—in use.
Overseers' Accounts, 1719—1767.
do. 1817—1836.
do. 1836—1847.

Poor Rate and Assessment Book for township of Cheswardine, 1796—1814.

List of Paupers for the Parish of Cheswardine from 1839 to 1847.
Highway Account Books commencing 1837.
Valuation List, dated 1836.
Sundry Rate Books commencing 1843.
Assessment and Rate Book from 1833 to 1847.

Award and Map relating to Sowdley Park Heath and Lipley Heath, dated 1796.

Plans and Papers of proposed Drayton Junction Railway, dated 1845.

Minute Book and Papers relating to School Board (formed in 1880 and dissolved in 1883).

Ordnance Survey Map of Cheswardine Parish.

Ordnance Survey Maps (3) of portions of Hinstock and Forsbrook Parishes on which are marked and coloured in pink the lands belonging to Cheswardine Parochial Charities.

*The following Deeds, &c., relating to the Parochial Charities are deposited in the Birmingham, Counties & District Bank at Market Drayton, viz:—*

Deed relating to Hinstock Property.

Extracts of Wills relating to Rent Charges on Land and sums of money left to the poor of Cheswardine.

Bank of England Receipt for £1,067 13s. 4d. Consols 2¾%.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Church, viz. :—

Register of Baptisms, 1843—in use.
" Marriages, 1837— do.
" Burials, 1853— do.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1831—1887—containing various items 1887—1890 with reference to certain Charities.

*The following are kept in a wooden chest at the Vicarage, viz:—*

General Register, 1558—1653.

General Register, 1653—1698, and at the back used for registering the "Briefs" (8 sheets). *NOTE.—This Register is in a very good state of preservation, but one sheet has been torn out. It contains several entries of marriages before Justices of the Peace, such as the following, viz:—*

"Bartholomew Cooke and Margaret Cooke widow both of the "parish of Cheswardine were married before me Cresswell "Tayleur Esq. one of the Justices of the Peace of the County "of Salop the 10th day of July 1654.

"Cresswell Tayleur."

"John ffurbur of the towne & parish of Drayton under Hales in "the County of Salop & Añ Boyden the daughter of Thomas "Boyden of the towne and Parish of Cheswardine in the County "aforesd. were published 3 severall Lords days in the Parish "Church of Cheswardine at the close of morning service "according to an Act of Parlimnt. (being the 5th 12th & 19th "days of Aprill last past 1657) and were Married before Robert "Clive Esq one of the Justices of Peace for the County aforesd. "being the ffirst day of May 1657 according to ye laws as doth "appeare by a Certificate bearing date the ffirst day of May 57.

"Rich. Eaton & Wm. Felston, Wardens."

*The following are interesting extracts from the "Briefs" which, as above stated, are at the end of this Register, viz:—*

"October 1680. Collected towards ye Redemption of ye English "Captives att Algiers ye sum off £1 5s. 4d."

"Anno 1686. The forsaid yeare Sam: Orpe Vic: Tho: Savage "John Eaxmford Church Wardens May the 9th 1686 Col-"lected within the parishe of Cheswardine for relief of the "persecuted Ffrench protestants Briefe James 2 et Anno 2 "do. A Briefe gathered by houses & names set downe the

| | li. | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| "sum of | 01 | 05 | 9" |

"July 24th 1689. Collected for the Irish Protestants Briefe "gathered from house to house and the Names and sums "given set downe particularly the whole sum being one "pound fouer shillings 4d £1 4s. 4d."

"October 14th day 1694. Collected then for the ffrench Protes-
"tants from house to house the sum of one pound and one
"penny. A note of the particular charities being put into
"the Parish Chest Briefe £01 00s. 01d."

General Register, 1698—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1811.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1811 *(for one year only).*
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1812.
" Marriages, 1813—1836.
" Burials, 1813—1853.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1544—1628. *NOTE.—This Book, together with "Fragments of a Breviary," has been rebound with a very strong binding and transcribed by the Vicar, the Rev. J. E Hughes.*

*A copy of the transcription of the Account Book and Breviary, together with "Notes" thereon prepared by the Vicar, will be found as Appendices to the Report for this parish.*

*Appendix A.:—Churchwardens' Account Book, 1544—1628.*
*Appendix B.:—Fragments of Cheswardine Breviary.*
*Appendix C.:—Notes on Fragments of Cheswardine Breviary.*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1718—1829; and at the other end of the Book, Vestry Minutes, 1728—1766.

Terrier, dated 1722—*a copy of which will be found as Appendix D. to the Report for this parish.*

Terrier, dated 1st August, 1841.

Four Tithe Maps and Award, dated 30th September, 1844.

Award and Map of Allotments, Roads, &c., in the Manor of Cheswardine in the County of Salop, dated 5th November, 1801.

Miscellaneous papers.

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## APPENDIX A.

## CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNT BOOK, 1544—1628.

In the following pages extracts only are given, those entries being selected which seem to possess most interest either on account of the information they give or on that of the manner in which they are made. When the same thing occurs year after year, it is not generally quoted here again and again, unless for some difference in the entry. There are certain expenses of constant occurrence as for the bread and wine for Holy Communion, the shingling of the Church roofs, the bells, the glazing, scouring the church armour, washing the church linen, attendance at visitations, payments of "gaol money" and money for maimed soldiers at the quarter sessions.

The receipts are mostly rents, "charity money," burial fees, hire of cows, and interest on loans.

There is no mention of offertory money nor of Church rates.

The original spelling and grammar have been carefully retained. The former is, to a great extent, phonetic, and is always interesting in connection with local dialect and the growth of language, as well as with the state of education among country Vicars and Churchwardens.

Fol. 1. A note of Armore remayninge with *(the note never made)* (1)

Some fragmentary memoranda of sums received and paid, etc., and a calculation made by rows of dots.

(1v) Md. Sr.* Thomas Alport & Jhon Butt' hau goten thees thynges belonging to ye church whych were owt

In pimis j vestement of whit sylke wt all thynges yrto belongyng

It' j alb wt a parure of tawny† velvet

Alowed for a holy wat'‡ fatt of brass iii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

It' for ii candelstyckes of brass iii$^{s.}$

Ys sum unpaid promysed to be paid by ye hands of Thomas Hunt§

Md yt theese be vestimentes remaynynge** in ye Church at yis present

In p'mis vi for the hole yere & j whyt for good friday

It' iii amys & albes paruris*† It 'j alb not paruris

It' iiii Altare clothes. It' vi towells. It' ii coopes*‡

It' j g'wyshyen*§. It' iii cādelstyckes masten††

It' j surples j rochet. It' a pair sensures‡‡

It' Kyne belongyng to ye stocke: j in the handes of Thomas Alport j in the handes of Rycd Gregory and an other in ye handes of Jhames boyden

It' bookes in the Church: j mass books. j portehowse†§, j manuell, j processionaries‡§, It j dogg of yren‡†

(1) The writing is as early as any in the book. There are references to the cleaning of the Parish Armour in the accounts of 1595—6 and every year subsequent.

* Memorandum Sir.

† Over black erased.

‡ Water.

§ A mark follows, perhaps meant for pd. (paid).

** "Retained and in use."

*† With apparels, *i.e.*, the embroidered ornaments of abbes and amices.

*‡ Copes.

*§ Cushion.

†† A kind of mixed metal.

‡‡ Censers.

†§ Portas, portiforium—Breviary, a small portable book of offices.

‡§ The book with the music and words used in processions.

‡† Dogges of iron for fireplace.

(2) An. d'ni Mccccccliiii in the first and ii° yeres of the Reynges of Phillipe & Marye by the grace of gode Kynge & quene of Englande, Fraunce, naples, Jerusalem & Irelande defendres of the faithe princes of Spayne and Cicile. Archedukes of Austryge dukes of myllayne, burgone & brabant. Countes of aspurge(1), flaundres and tyrole, the x day of August Thomas Alpat & John buttur were chosyn churchewardens of cheswarden.

In p'mis Recevyd in money that was in the stoke of the churche xlv^s. iiii^d.

Itm R of Robert Chalner for the hyre of ii kine iiii^s.
„ „ the Vicar of cheswarden vi^s.
„ „ Light at the buryall of Richard poynton iiii^d.
„ „ Homfrey ellarton for Rent ii^s.
(2v) „ „ the same Homfrey for a ende of a pascall* vi^d.
„ „ Will' langshay for the fyne of his house(2) xxiii^s. iiii^d.

(3) These be the payementes that the churchewardens haue paide:

It'm paid to John chawnor for wax ii^d. ob.
„ p for the charges of the wax chāler, his mānand the church wardens ii^s. ii^d.
„ Spent at the chosynge of the wardens iiii^d.
„ to John Buttr for yron and workmāshipe for the belles xx^d.
„ for the making of ye Judas & the tymbre of the same & for(3) iii quarters of fustyan xvii^d.
„ for heir clothe(4) xvi^d.
„ for the serche of the Regestre at lychefylde vi^s. viii^d.
„ for a Cytac'on vii^d.
„ for the expenses fo mr Sowdley & Thomas Alpat at lychefyld ii^s. viii^d.
„ paid to the Vicar for two bokes xiii^s. viii^d.
„ paid for the makynge of the churchewardens boke ii^d.
(3 v) „ for candeles for the rynggars ii^d.
„ to the rynggars the same nyght ii^d.

It'm paid for a corde for the sac'ment(5) i^d. ob.
„ whitelether for bawdrex(6) iii^d.
„ a bukkett for Holywater ii^d.

(1) Hapsburg.
* See (3) below.
(2) *Fine* when lease renewed.
(3) The "Judas" was a sham candle of wood on which the wax candle called the "Pas-chal" was set. The fustian wd be for some hangings or vestures—called "Judas" because false.
(4) Used for penance—hair cloth.
(5) Sanctus bell (?).
(6) Baldricks, i.e., the pieces of leather (untanned) with which bell-clappers used to be attached.

Item paid Will'm tasker for the orderynge of the belles(7) ii$^{s.}$
„ for a yard of satan of bruges for the canopie iii$^{s.}$
„ for the scowrynge of the canopye & candelstykes ii$^{d.}$
„ for three cheynes & two turrettes for the sensor(8) viii$^{d.}$
„ for frankyncense i$^{d.}$
„ for a ammett & laces for the same (9) vi$^{d.}$ ob.
„ for half a m of syngle nayle(10) xii$^{d.}$
„ for nayles to mende the church yate & settyng on a locke and ii clypes of yron for a leyther(11) ii$^{d.}$
„ to handforde for dressynge of the churche sparrs & lathes iiii$^{d.}$
„ Or. charges at stone at the visytac'on xiii$^{d.}$
„ lawrence for serapynge of the singles of the churche(12) i$^{d.}$ ob.
„ for cou'ynge three graves iii$^{d.}$
„ to the syngler & his man(13) ii$^{s.}$ vii$^{d.}$
„ for thier table to John braydsha(14) ii$^{s.}$ ii$^{d.}$

(4)

„ for the plummars table ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
„ John brokson for servynge the plum$^{r}$ vi$^{d.}$
„ to the said John for horse gresse (15) vi$^{d.}$
„ for the charges of the churche wardens beynge wt ye plum$^{r}$ & makyng provyc'on for hym xvi$^{d.}$
„ for ryngynge upon corpus xpi day at processyc'on ii$^{d.}$
„ for a bannr(16) xii$^{d.}$
„ for washyng of the churche clothes vi$^{d.}$
„ a cow beynge in the custodye of Thomas Alpat sertayne money the said Thomas had of the churche, the pryce xxviii$^{s.}$

(5) Md ano d'ni m ccccc l v$^{to}$, ii die noue'bris were Ryc. Harper & Wyll'm Spe'der of Chipnall elected churchwardens by ye holl co'sent of ye parish of cheswardyn dyd receyve of Thomas Alport & Jhon butter owr predecessours iiii markes iiii$^{d.}$

(7) Oiling, cleaning and generally putting in order.
(8) Chains and turrets for the censer.
(9) Amice and lace.
(10) Half a thousand.
(11) clypes, *i.e.*, bands of iron for a ladder.
(12) Shingles—square pieces of oak as tiles for covering a roof.
(13) Shingles, see (12).
(14) Their table—their board.
(15) Grass for horse.
(16) Banner.

It'm of mr vicar sir xpof r hunt(17) vi$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
„ hachetes doghters for lyght(18) iiii$^{d.}$
„ of Rye g'gory for ye hyre of a cow xx$^{d.}$
„ for lyght at ye buryall of mr Vicar viii$^{d.}$
„ upon newyers dai ii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
„ res-euyd of thomas longyshyre for alfe a flese vii$^{d.}$
„ payd towards the making of towrges(19) viii$^{d.}$
„ res-euyd for pascall moneye iiii$^{s.}$
„ for ii pownd of hole ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(6) Paid out of ye said receites in ye same yere being in ye yere of owr lord m ccccc lv

In p'mis to Robart robson of newport for wax for makyngh of ye light & for all his expēses at yt tyme ix$^{s.}$

It'm paid to Will'm taskar for dressyng of ye belles vii$^{s.}$
„ to Will'm taskars wyff for an altare cloth to owre lordes altar(20) iii$^{s.}$ i$^{d.}$
„ frang & ynsense ii$^{d.}$
„ for the peyntyng of clothys(21) iii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
„ peyd at vesettatyon ii$^{s.}$ iii$^{d.}$
„ for owre expenses at owre entrying xiiii$^{d.}$
„ for the vesettatyon at utsettr(22) ii$^{s.}$ v$^{d.}$
„ peyd for a cowe yn Will'm spendr hād' xxx$^{ts.}$
„ for sope and weshyng of the surplasse ii$^{d.}$
„ peyd to the plymmr ii$^{d.}$
„ for costes at the mendyng of the guttors(23) iiii$^{d.}$
„ peyde towrd byying of ii towrges viii$^{d.}$

(7) The cowntes of Wyll'm Spendr & Ryc' Arper, made the vi. daye of Noue'ber yn the yere of owre lord god a thwsand fyue hūdryd syxe and fyfte *(NOTE.—1556.)*

In p'mis, Whe reseuyd at owre ynterest by the handes of Thomas Alpart and Jhon Buttr owre predecessers liii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

It' reseuyd of sr Crystr Hunt vi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
„ at the byrreall of Achettes wyf iiii$^{d.}$
„ at Mr Vecar's bereall viii$^{d.}$
„ Thomas longysshyre for alfe a flese of wole vii$^{d.}$

(17) Christopher Hunt.
(18) At a burial, see line 4.
(19) Torches.
(20) The principal altar as distinguished from altar in side chapel which was called "our Lady's altar."
(21) Pictures painted on canvas or linen for banners or to hang up.
(22) Uttoxeter.
(23) Gutters between the roofs.

It' for lyght at Wyll'm longshawe childes byrreall ii$^{d.}$
„ of mr beyler(24) for candylles ii$^{d.}$

Payd

In p'mis for waxe and makyng ix$^{s.}$

It' for peyntyng of clothys iii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
„ to Esabell tascar for a autr clothe iii$^{s.}$ i$^{d.}$
„ at the vesetatyon at the Pastyll spend ii$^{s.}$ iii$^{d.}$
„ for meyt & drynk ii deys when whe serue ther ii$^{s.}$ x$^{d.}$
(7v) „ for a drynk to the ryngars on corpus cristi deye iiii$^{d.}$
„ for sopyng of clothys* vi$^{d.}$
„ to the ryngars on all Halo nyght ii$^{d.}$
„ to the plymmer for v score pownd of ledd xvi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
„ for vii pownd & a alf of pewter iiii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
„ to John Sugars wyf for a peutr dysche and a sacer‡ viii$^{d.}$
„ to Wyll'm Spendr for a Salt and a dysche viii$^{d.}$
„ for Warkmāshypp x$^{d.}$

To Receue

It' for the lesteall† of mr beylys wyf *(blank)*
„ of mr Sowdeley for the lesteall of ii chyldur *(blank)*

(8) Jhon Howle John Tue elected & chosyn by the consent of the hole parysh of cheswardyne yn the yere of owre lord god a thowsand fyue hūdryd fyfte & vi mak owre just and hole acountes aftr thys forme & manr as here aftr folowyth

It' for the lesteall of ryddeleye ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
„ for lyght at the same byrryng x$^{d.}$
„ Hare Hyrpe gave unto the church xii$^{d.}$
(8v) „ Whe have sett to James a boyd'n a heffur for the furst milk and furst Calue & aftur the furst yere whe have sett the forseyd heffur iii yere eury yere xx$^{d.}$

(9) In p'mis to Wyll'm Tascar for kepyng of the belles ii$^{s.}$

It' for cādylles on kersy masse deye j$^{d.}$
„ peyd to mr Vecar for makng the last yere's boke viii$^{d.}$
„ peyd for vl pownde & a alfe of waxe to make the lyght ageynes astr(25) vi$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
„ for the dynnr(26) at the makyng of the lyght ii. viii$^{d.}$
„ for pauyng(27) of owre ladye chansell xii$^{d.}$
„ to Homfreye Hyrpe for alfe a stryke of lime iiii$^{d.}$

(24) The bailiff who looked after the land and stock.
* Washing with soap; probably the oil painting or "painted cloths," see line 9.
‡ Dishes to be melted up for solder.
† Layrestall or lair stall; a grave inside the church.
(25) Easter.
(26) Dinner.
(27) Paving.

It' for a locur(28) of Jhon Buttr ii$^{d.}$
„ Robert Coke & Will'm Hagett for stockyng of a bell iiii$^{s.}$
„ When they had done theyre warke whe gave them yn ale iii$^{d.}$
„ Will'm bery for ii Wode Candyllstyckes to set apon tapurs v$^{d.}$
„ to the ryngars on the assētyon deye & corpus cristi deye iiii$^{d.}$
„ for a couerelett(29) iii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
„ for a yard of lenen xii$^{d.}$
„ for yncence ii$^{d.}$
„ for ale to Achett & Coke i$^{d.}$
„ Whe spend at Tascars at owre entryng xii$^{d.}$
„ for Wheshyng of the churche clothys ii$^{d.}$

(9v) This ys the account of Jhon Howle and Henrye Eldershewe Churchewardens of the Paryshe of cheswardyne mad the iiii deye of Januarye in the yeare of or Lorde god a thowsand ffyve hunderd fiftye and Seven.

In primus (sic) reseaved the stocke in the boxe xxxviii$^{s.}$ ii$^{d.}$

It' Re'd at the buryall of an olde womā at Roger gregoryes viii$^{d.}$
„ „ of thomas browne for sentmari day rent ii$^{s.}$
„ „ of mr Vicar for olde Shengle vi$^{d.}$
„ „ of thomas hegekr for mēteineng(30) a leght afore sent katren iiii$^{d.}$
„ „ of two pardonors for two surplessis(31) ii$^{d.}$
„ „ for a paxe(32) xxv$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
„ „ of Robart tatnoll for the angell noble(33) he had ovte of the churche box in money yt Rich. Sowthley vi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
and in grasse for a kow x$^{d.}$

(10v) These be the paymentes

In primis payed for iiii yardes of flaxen to make an auter clothe iiii$^{s.}$

It' for iii quarters of flexey clothe to make an ammet viii$^{d.}$
„ payed at the hallowynge of this i$^{d.}$
„ for mendynge of the greate bell clapper ii$^{s.}$ ii$^{d}$ ob.
„ for aparrelynge of too albes and too amesis i$^{d.}$

(28) Locker.
(29) Coverlet or cover for the altar or for the chalice and paten.
(30) Maintaining a light before a figure of St. Katherine.
(31) Pardoners were hawkers of pardons, see "Piers the Ploughman."
(32) A tablet bearing a figure of the Crucified—the priest kissed it and passed it round to be kissed at mass instead of the "kiss of peace."
(33) A gold coin value 6s. 8d., it bore a figure of an angel (St. Michael).

It' payed for layinge of the church florre vi$^{d.}$
„ for a hoope of lyme ii$^{d.}$
„ payde for iii hūdrethe of shēgle neales v$^{d.}$ ob.
„ for the clarkes surples ii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$ ob.
(11) „ for a cord unto the churche yeat i$^{d.}$
„ for a cūmādimēt and owre expēses xv$^{d.}$
„ unto mr sowthley for the chales & the paxe(34) v.l.
„ payd for hem̃ing a new allter clothe and ā am̃it ii$^{d.}$
„ payd for making & cstyng of owre boke xii$^{b.}$

(11v) It' Re'd of the donosion of the pariche toward the redemeng of the chales xx$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
„ of Robart tatnoll a corporas case(35) of tensell saten for sent Katerens cote
„ of the geft of my Lord byshop a corporas case of tawni vellet
„ of Robart tatnall for his wyfes restall iii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
„ of Joyse gesseleng wc' she was awarded to pay x$^{s.}$

It' set unto Will'm lȳ one kow for iii yeres the hiere xxd the yere & at the iii yeres end the sayde Will'm to delever a suffisient kow ether in caufe or else wt a caufe at her fote or else xxvi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$ of good and lafull money the yeres cum̃ȳng up at the invēsion of the Crosse(36)

It' set unto Will'm tascar one kow for iii yeres for the first yere beyng farrow melche viii$^{d.}$ and for the other to yeres ii$^{s.}$ the yere his yeres cumyng up at the invēsion of the crosse

It- James boydon hathe a kow to be deleuered vnto the churche wt ii$^{s.}$ of hire at the invēsion of the crosse next

It- xpr virges will geue a swarme of bies to mentene a leight bifore sent Kateren

(12) The acōte of Richard bowdē & Will'm berry aliter powlto churchemen of the pariche of cheswardyne año dñi m ccccc† & l† viii† the secūd of nouēbre

the Recetes

It' at the churchyng of margeri eldersha i$^{d.}$
„ at the anēv'sare of thomas cortor(37) *(edge of leaf gone)*
„ of Thomas Hunt for the lesteall & the lyghtes *(edge of leaf gone)*
„ at the buriall of John howlle the y'gr(38) ii$^{s.}$

(12v) „ Wyll'm Tascar for a faroo mylk viii$^{s.}$

(34) Chalice and Pax.
(35) Corporas case—a burse.
(36) Invention of the Cross, *i.e.*, May 3rd.
(37) The anniversary of "years mind," mass and matins with doles, &c.
(38) The younger.

It. for a flese of Wole xxxii$^{d.}$
„ for a cubburd of marte xx$^{d.}$
„ of Homfreye elertun or meelmasse rent xii$^{d.}$

(13) The paymentes

Itē payd to Will'm tascar for reperasion of the bell vii$^{s.}$
„ „ vnto Ricard Holden for layyng of M of shēgle vi$^{s.}$
„ „ „ John buttur for mendeng a stocke loke and a hoke to pyke torchis & a cādelstike iiii$^{d.}$
„ payde for wax v$^{l.}$ and or wasshyng the churche gere iii$^{d.}$
„ payd to Jone Boydō f a halfe after viii$^{d.}$ the pownd & a peni forther in the whole iii$^{s.}$ ix$^{d.}$
„ for a gyrdyll(39) ii$^{d.}$

(13v) „ for mendyng of the boke & wrytyng vi$^{d.}$
„ for exspenses at the quenys vesettacyon(40) xii$^{s.}$ ii$^{d.}$
„ for the Injungyones viii$^{d.}$
„ for owre byll makyng viii$^{d.}$
„ unto sebyll Hyrpe for the gresse of iii wedurs(41) iiii$^{d.}$

Also yn wose handes the movabull cettell doth remeyne
In' p'mis yn the handes of Jamys a Boyd'n a cowe
A heffur yn the forseyd Jamys' hand set for the furst mylk and the furst calue
A cowe yn the handes of Wyll'm Tascar
A cowe yn the handes of Will'm lee
It' iii wedurs sold unto Rog' Sayer vi$^{s.}$ v$^{d.}$ the wyche vi$^{s.}$ v$^{d.}$ Wyll'm Spendr of Chypnell be or dettr whyche as yet his onpayd
The cowt of Homfreye Hyrpe & Jhon a ragetū yn the yere of owre lord god m ccccc l x yn the ii yere of the reyne of Elesabezht

Reseytes

(13v) for owre ladys Nueyeres(42) gyft xx$^{ti}$ vi$^{d.\ ob}$
for sent mare deye rent xii$^{d.}$

(14) Payd

for a ordenare boke iii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
for mendyng of the syrplasse to agnes bacar ii$^{s.}$ i$^{d.}$
for mendyng of the churche hat(43) i$^{d.}$
for ryngyng on hole thursdeye ii$^{d.}$

(14v) The Cowntes of Jhon a Nagetū & Wyll'm Elertū (1561)

Payd

to Wyll'm Mee for ryddynge owt of the auters(44) xii$^{d.}$

(39) Girdle for the priest's alb.
(40) Queen Elizabeth held a Visitation by Commissioners when the Injunctions were issued.
(41) Grass for three wethers.
(42) New year's.
(43) Gate.
(44) Removing the altars.

to Hare Eldershawe for mendyng of the bybull ii$^{d.}$

(15) Crystor Vyrkess & Jamys a bradh..... (1562)

Reyseytes

Receuyd for cherette moneye xii$^{d.}$

Payd

to a peynetr for peynetyng the rode soler xii$^{d.}$
for polyng downe of the rode loft iii$^{s.}$
for glasyng of the churche wyndows iiii$^{s.}$ i$^{d.}$
for berying owt of the stones viii$^{d.}$
Spend at the Vesettatyon at the Castyll ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
Payd unto Wyll'm me for a tabull(46) burd xiii$^{d.}$

(15v) for Substans(47) to the Cõmeneon xii$^{d.}$
Rog' gregore & Jhon geruasse (1563)

Reseytes

of mr Suttũ for his chyldes lesteall iii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

(16) Payd

furst to Robart of prest' for to hũdryd of shyngyll iii$^{s.}$
unto Wyll'm alport for leying them ii$^{s.}$ x$^{d.}$
Whe gaue to goodfelowse for reryng(48) of ladres ii$^{d.}$ yn ale
for shyngyll reylys vi$^{d.}$
for a nodr Cord for the font i$^{d.}$
for the substans a geynes astr iii$^{s.}$
for faschyng of ii hũdryd of shyngyll at chypnall ii$^{d.}$
for a Syttyng at staford x$^{d.}$
for owre cost when whe were ecculsall before my lord xii$^{d.}$
for bokes & costes at Staford vi$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
unto Thomas alpart for a boke v$^{d.}$
spent at Ecclesall when we brought a byll to my lorde iiii$^{d.}$
goynge to muxston for a aunswere spent i$^{d.}$
payd for wyne ii$^{d.}$

(16v) Jhon Howle & Will'm Smythe of Ellarton (1563—4)
Rec. of the Vicare to thuse(49) of the church x$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$

Receuyd of Will'm byrd(50) Vecar of Ch'wardyne, the vi deye of August the sume of x$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$

Payd

(17) ffirst for bred and wyne from the vii of nouember untill the iii$^{d}$ daie of Apryell anno d'ni 1563 v$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
for wyne syns easter x$^{d.}$

(46) Tabull burd—Communion table.
(47) The Bread and Wine.
(48) Rearing, raising, lifting up.
(49) The use.
(50) Bryd for byrd—or (?) Wm. Bryan—see after.

for the cupp for the comunyon xviii$^{d.}$
for coveringe of the churche and vytalles for uther laborers to the same xviii$^{d.}$
for wyre iii$^{d.}$
for a cord to the churche yate i$^{d}$
for a forme to serue in procession tyme i$^{d.}$

(17v) Anno d'ni 1564—5, et secundo die novembrio

John Howle
John Hodgkyns } churchwardens

Rec. for the charytie money of elarton viii$^{d.}$
— of chalner & old steven langshawe iiii$^{d.}$
— in golston ix$^{d}$
— of cheswardyne & Sawthley parua iii$^{s.}$

(18) Payd for bred and wyne iiii$^{d.}$ ib viii$^{d.}$
wyne ii$^{d.}$ ib. x$^{d.}$ ib. v$^{d.}$

(18v) Anno domini 1566 die vicessimo septimo maij

Thomas Hamlet
Wyll'm Hatchet } churchwardens

Receaved for
The charyty of gret soudle iii$^{s.}$
,, of chesardine and ytell soudle iii$^{s.}$
,, of elarton viii$^{d.}$
,, of sombroke v$^{d.}$
,, of goldston ix$^{d.}$

(19) Payd of the forsayd receates for drinking viii$^{d.}$
,, for covering of a grave iiii$^{d.}$
,, for a key for the steple dore & for yrons for the belles iiii$^{d.}$
,, for the hynge of a cophar i$^{d.}$
,, to Williame tasker vi$^{s.}$
,, for hys table & for horse meate ii$^{s.}$
,, for a corde to the churche hate(51) i$^{d.}$

(19v) Anno domini 1567

Humfrey Adams
Rychard Bowde } Churchwardens & beganne the sunday after all hallowes day

Receaved of greate Sowdley for Charitie money iii$^{s.}$
,, of Elarton, viii$^{d.}$ of Sombrocke vi$^{d.}$ of Goldstonne ix$^{d.}$

(20) Payed for locke & kay & staple of the cobert dore iiii$^{d.}$
,, to foure men for tending of the fier on good friday for the saluacion(52) of the churche & towne iiii$^{d.}$

(51) Hatch—gate.
(52) (?) A cheap Salvation.

for the mendinge of the surples iiii$^{d.}$
at the visitacis at the new castell ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
to the ringars on holy thursday ii$^{d.}$

(20v) Anno d'ni 1567, the Sondaie after St Andrewes daie
Will'm Spender, Thomas Deane churchwardens
Paid for iii hundrethe of Shyngilles iii$^{s.}$
at the visitac'on at newe castle ii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
wyne against palme sondaie iiii$^{d.}$
bread and wyne sithens easter x$^{d.}$
for Substaunce at Easter v$^{s.}$
for shewinge for the money for the baylif buryall (in Ladies chancell) ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
for mr Jewelles boke v$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

(21v) Thomas Hunt, Thomas Browne (20 Nov: 1570)
Rec. at the chaunge of the cupp wth the challeis(53) vii$^{s.}$ ii$^{d.}$

(22) Paid ffirst at the entringe of the churchwardens for drynkinge viii$^{d.}$
for viii yardes of Holland clothe for a surples & for the makinge thereof x$^{s.}$
for wasshinge the clothes ii$^{d.}$
for shinglynge & mendynge the lyche yates and for coveringe of ii graves & for their tabul xx$^{d.}$
at Stafford for goinge to speak for the cupp xii$^{d.}$
for fetchinge the cupp xi$^{d.}$
for shyngelynge & for his tabul xiii$^{d.}$

(22v) Christofer molleners and George Carter (Dec 17 1570)
Payde iiii pyntes of wyne betwixt christenmas and palme sondaye xii$^{o.}$
viii quartes of wyne at easter iiii$^{s.}$
for breade v$^{d.}$
for the wardens and the fovre men cost at dreaton xviii$^{d.}$
for the costes of the churchewardēs and the tow men of the parishe at the visitation iii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
to tomas browne for ceruynge(54) the parryse with the couppe iiii$^{d.}$
sens medsomer one quarte of wyne vi$^{d.}$

(23v) John Cox and John Gregory (on Alsowlles daye 1571)
Paid to Wyllyam Haunford for bordes and naylles and making of ye lyttell pue xv$^{d.}$

(24) Harrye Eldershaw & Thomas Sheolley churchewardens of the cheswardyn elected & chose at the mowrowe after all saynct for the yere of our lord 1572
Receved of Jone awport wedowe for a peese of plate liii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(53) This is historic -the change of Plate, Apparel and Ornaments.
(54) Serving.

for one tablecloythe sold to mrs braddock by wyllyā Ellerton xp'or virges xp'or mulleners & us the churchewardens vi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
for an old albe sold to the sayd mrs braddock at the same tyme ii$^{s.}$
sold to antonye baylys one coope two vestents one sylt banor & one corporasse case xxvi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
sold to Wyllyā Rychardson xiiii li of waxe lx$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

anno 1573

(24v) Recetes fyrst of Thomas Hunt for bordes of the Roodelowfte iiii$^{s.}$
of Wyllyam Ellerton for on coverlet on candlestyck & a pease of a vestment 3$^{s.}$
of Thomas Shelley on a candlestyck x$^{d.}$
of xp'or virges for on albe on old coope 3$^{s.}$ vii$^{d.}$
of John butter for the enterest of l$^{s.}$ layde out 1572 v$^{s.}$

(25)

Ryngyng for the Queene xiii$^{d.}$
for two poore soldiers ii$^{d.}$
to John butter for mendynge on cofer ii$^{d.}$
for the comunion table wt a frame iiii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
to the Queenes comyssioner for that our Register booke was vnperfect v$^{s.}$
We have layd out to homfre yrpe xl$^{s.}$ for three yeres at 4$^{s.}$ the yere the wyche ys to be payd at saynct andrewes day daye (sic) wych shall be in the yere of our lord 1574

(25v) Anno d'ni 1573

Payde, for our charges at staffor byng comanded theder by the queenes autorytye & for a boke xiii$^{d.}$
at dreaton for the same mater viii$^{d.}$
for takynge downe the bords of the lofte & mendyng a bell wheele ii$^{s.}$
layde out for the churche of bath a viii$^{d.}$
for Ryngyng the daye of the enteryns of our queen xvi$^{d.}$
for our costes at Stafford beynge called by the officiaall xx$^{d.}$
to the a parytorye(56) for swoaryng of the suspencion ii$^{s.}$

(26) for syxe bords & c of lathers for the coveryng of the church iiii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
to Hugh Poole for the chrystyng of the church & halfe a hundred spykyng nayles(57) xviii$^{d.}$

(26v) Recepts (1574)

for the bequest of Vicar bryan vi$^{s.}$ vii$^{d.}$
of Robert Handson for an old vestment iii$^{s.}$

(56) Apparitor.
(57) Creasing of the ridge of the roof.

(27v) Payments (1574)

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| at the day of the Ryngynge for our queen | ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$ |
| for leaves to amend our byble | xvi$^{d.}$ |
| for a boushell of lyme & caryage | xii$^{d.}$ |
| for castyng & pavyng the Parysshe chaunsell | vi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$ |
| for the mason work of the pulpit & mendynge ye churche flower & for lyme | iii$^{s.}$ |
| for cariage of lyme & ston to ye workeman for on daye | iiii$^{d.}$ |
| to Rychard Handfort for caryinge of yearth out of the chansell | viii$^{d.}$ |
| to Wyllyā Hatchet for makynge on forme to saye devyn servys in | iii$^{s.}$ ii$^{d.}$ |
| for tymber for the sayd forme | ii$^{s.}$ v$^{d.}$ |
| to John butter on clyppe of yerne | i$^{d.}$ |
| for on booke of mr Whytgyft | ix$^{s.}$ |
| for charges at the fachinge of the same at ecclesall | iiii$^{d.}$ |

(28)

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|---|---|
| for a carpet | v$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$ |
| to Harrie eldershawe for byndyng the byble | iii$^{s.}$ ix$^{d.}$ |
| for the boke of articles & an other bok | x$^{d.}$ |

(29) 1575

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| Payments—for lyme & caryage | ii$^{s.}$ |
| for wasshynge the church | xxi$^{d.}$ |
| at the archdeacon hys vicitation | iii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$ |
| at my lordes vicitation | iiii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$ |
| for payntynge the church walles | viii$^{s.}$ |
| to the deacon for tendynge the bels | vi$^{s.}$ |

(31) Homfre yrpe & Wyllyam berrye (1576)

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| Receipts—for the enterest of xl$^{s.}$ | iiii$^{s.}$ |
| for the buryng of a chyld of mr John broughtons in the chansell | iii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$ |

(32) Paymentes

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| to the Ryngers & for lyght 17 day of nouember | x$^{d.}$ |
| for on thowsand of shyngle | xviii$^{s.}$ |
| for the carryage | xviii$^{d.}$ |
| for a byll wych came from the Justices of pease for the avoydynge of the vagabonds | viii$^{d.}$ |
| for layinge of shyllings *(sic)* on the church & steople | ix$^{s.}$ |
| for 260 nayles | x$^{d.}$ |

(33) (1577)

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| Receyved for the lone of xl$^{s.}$ | iiii$^{s.}$ |

(33a) (1578)?

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| beeying called befor the Justyce of peas costs | vi$^{d.}$ |
| another tyme befor the lord Justyce | vi$^{d.}$ |

for costs to Stafford towchyng ann answear to the paying our benyvolense unto Thomas browne vi$^{d.}$
for tendynge the bels to the deaken vi$^{d.}$

(34) Wyllyā Ellerton & Wyllyā berrye (1579)
Received for the enterest of xl$^{s.}$ iiii$^{s.}$
of Thomas Hunt for the old byble v$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$

(34v) Payments
for bords to crest the church xviii$^{d.}$
for the byble & the caryage xxi$^{s.}$
delivered unto homfre yrpe to interest the 17 daye of august in 1579 xx$^{s.}$
at a visitation of the arch bysshops of canterbur wyth all other wyth charges to lychefeld at the same tyme viii$^{s.}$ x$^{d.}$
for laying up of crestes on the church & neeles ix$^{d.}$

(35) Homfre yrppe & Wyllyā berrye (1580)
Received of Homfre yrpe for the interest of twentye shyllyngs ii$^{s.}$

(36) (1581)
Rec. etc as above wych ys in hys handes ii$^{s.}$

(36v) Paymentes
fyrst costes for bread & wyne & candels 17 nouember ix$^{d.}$
we have delivered unto the next churchmen Rychard cooke & Edward tetnall three table clothes fowre towells

(37) Rychard cooke & Edward tetnall (1582)
Rec. of John coytso' wt was lant to hym bye Thomas Deane & Wyllyā Spende Junior when the wear churchemen vi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(37v) Paymentes—our charges about the gaole money vi$^{d.}$
for the comunyon booke & charges vi$^{s.}$

(39v) John sucar & Ricard snape (1583)

(40) Paymentes to John greves for the porch x$^{s.}$
to Rauffe mulliners for shyngling the same vii$^{s.}$

(41) John sucar sukr & Rychard snape (1584)
Received of John bok money of Robert Handsons but(?) leaft to the vse of the church xx$^{s.}$
and the said bok ys dyscharged of the same

(41v) Payd, our charges at the lord archebysshop hys visitatiō at Staffor & byls v$^{s.}$ v$^{d.}$
at my lord bysshops visitation iiii$^{s.}$
bread & wyne on the queenes daye last vii$^{d.}$

*(1585—7 missing.)*

(42) Wyllyā sandbrooke & Robert butter (1588)
It' whereas wee have wt the cōsent of the whole parysshe set unto Harray yrpe on but of land wt dyd belonge unto Wyllyā lenshire hys howse lying in the mosse feeld of chypnall for the terme of xx^ti^ yeares wt tearme dyd begyne at mychaelmas beynge xxix^th^ daye of September in the year of our Lord 1588 received for a fyne for the same vi^s.^ viii^d.^, the rent being two pens a year to be payde at mychaelmas, received the same at the daye last past ii^d.^
It' wee have set wyth the for sayd cōsent unto Thomas browne & other by our lease indented the howse werein he now dwellyth, receaved for a fyne for the same xl^s.^
The sayd Thomas ys to pay noo lenne unto the church during hys naturall lyffe

(42v) Layd forth for mendyng the grate bell claper iii^d.^
the threed bell clapper vi^d.^
candles spent on the Queens daye i^d.^

(43v) Wyllyā bryā & Wyllā Hatchet (1589)

(44) Payde out for bread & wyne for Thomas mulleners wyfe & wedow surtys(?) to cōmunicate iiii^d.^
at a great cōmuniō for sowdeleye xiii^d.^
bread & wyne when chipnall dyd cōmunicate xii^d.^
— for cheswardyne cōmunicatyng xii^d.^
— when sowdelaie dyd cōmunicate viii^d.^
— for goleston ellerton & sandbrock x^d.^
unto the cūstable for a pyke to be bowght xx^d.^
to the cunstablers for the redeemyng the hornes x^d.^
we layd downe of the gaole money iiii^d.^
memorandū that wee have dyscharged the whole gaole money for thys present year 1589

(44v) Rychard ellerton & xp'or gregorye (1590)
Rec. of Wyllyā longshaw for an asshe iiii^d.^

(45) Payments—our charges at a pretended visitation at Staford ii^s.^ ii^d.^
*("gaole money" paid for the year.)*

(45v) Rejinald cryche & Thomas Shelly (1591)

(46) Payde, unto Rychard Cooke for deacons wages v^s.^

(46v) Jhon Soudley & Richard Alpert (1592)
In primis rec. of the devo'con of certen of the parisshe iiii^s.^ vii^d.^
— of Elizabeth leeke *(blank)* of Robte Spende *(blank)*
— of certen of the parisshe, vd of Johanne Alparte, widdowe *(blank)*

It'e gathered of the devo'con of the parisshn's in brasse x^l. li.
in pewter fortie nyne pounde
Ite' rec of Will Sambrocke towerdes mettell vi^d.
„ „ „ Elizabeth Gylberte towerdes the bell vi^d.
Md that aboute the viiith daye of Decembre 1591 ther was a lune(1) layed by the parissheners aforesaid of viii^li. towardes the reparac'on of the churche and belles to be gathered at toe sen'all tymes
Then follow memoranda of receipts of portions of a "a oulde lune" and of "the grett lune"

(47v) Pamentes in primis to John Pace for fallinge of fyve lodes of woode & dressinge the same xi^d.
Ite' to the mason for iii lodes of Burchen wood allowinge him i lode of Hollen wood dressed vi^d.
Ite' to Ric. Dakyn for fyve hundred of breackes vi^s. viii^d.
„ for breade & wyne agaynste chrystmas xiii^d.
„ for a * * * at the Castinge of the bell xviii^d.
„ for the founder allowinge him all the parisshe mettell & the residew of his owne mettell v^s. iiii^d.
„ to the founders man xx^d.
„ for nayles iii^d.
„ for breade & wyne for the firste sondaye in lente xiii^d.
„ at bletchley iii^d.
„ to Ric Cooke for decons Wages for one yeare ending *(blank)* v^s.
„ to Rob'te Hodkys for Carringe the gable to Dreaton ii^d.
„ paid to Ric Cooke for Stockynge of the great bell & other worke aboute the frame vi^s. viii^d.
„ paid to Anne ffranncis for mattes for the churche viii^d.
„ for breade & wyne agaynst palme Sondaye iii^s. vi^d.
„ paid to Rob'te Butter for yron & worke about the henginge of the great bell xx^d.
„ paid to Rob'te boyden for washing of the church clothes viii^d.
„ paid to Tho. Suker for ii hūdred shyngles iii^s. iii^d.
„ for breade & wyne agaynste easter vi^s. vi^d.

(48) „ paid at the l. bysshhopes visita'con holden at Econlsall the fifte of Aprill 1592 the particulars whereof maye appere in a note in the charitie booke vi^s. iiii^d.
„ to Raoffe Molleners for lainge shingles on the churche & mendinge the porche & iii hundred of nayles iiii^s. viii^d.

(1) Loan.

Ite paid to the Salte Peyter man in the behalfe of the hole parisshe for the discharge of a Wean & oxen to have gone from Shroisburie to London the precepte is to this booke anexed discharged by the parisshe vi$^{s.}$ i$^{d.}$

Ite paid to xpofor Gregorie for ii bordes on the porche vi$^{d.}$

„ to Homfrey Suker for halfe a hondred of shyngles x$^{d.}$

„ for wyne agaynste Whyt sundaye viii$^{d.}$

„ for Wyne agaynste the vi$^{th}$ daye of August 1592 ix$^{d.}$

„ to Rendle Goulde for mendinge of toe bell Wheyles ii$^{s.}$

„ to Xpofor Gregorie for a ladder & a poste for ye dyall ii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$

„ for Wyne agaynste the fifthe day of Octobre 1592 xii$^{d.}$

„ at a visitation holden at Staff' the 3 of Octobre 1592 iiii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

„ for Wyne iii$^{d.}$

„ for makinge oure booke viii$^{d.}$

„ for bread & wyne agaynste the quenes holydaye 1592 xiii$^{d.}$

„ to Ric' Cooke for mendinge of the frame xii$^{d.}$

The hole some of oure rec. is v$^{li.}$ xvii$^{s.}$ x$^{d.}$ rem. in our handes to be delyu' to the next Churche wardens xlii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

(48v) Thomas Hunt & Thomas Gregorie (1592—3)

(49) Paymentes. Item paid to John Clyberic for Castynge of the greatt bell the xviii$^{th}$ of ffebruarie 1592 the some of iiii$^{li.}$ beinge Caste the yeare laste before

to Homfre Clyffe for mending the surplusse iiii$^{d.}$

(50) Thomas Eatonne & Rychard Deane (1593—4)

Receiptes—It' on harriot for Thomas Browne—xl$^{s.}$

It' of Thomas Hunt for one legacye gyven by hys mother in law Izabell Ryecroft vi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(51) Paymentes—for a new booke of prayers 6$^{d.}$

to Renald bole for a tryndle v$^{d.}$

payde the 4 daye of august for tymber to make the bell frame xxi$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

bestowed on them wc caryed the tymber iiii$^{d.}$

charges for cariage of our bell x$^{s.}$

our charges of meat & dryncke vii$^{s.}$ x$^{d.}$

makyng the bell frame iiii$^{li.}$ xiii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

for settyng a gaoble Roppe & charge bestowed on them wc carryed the frame up into the steople iiii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

to Renald Bole for mendyng a bell wheele & nailes xii$^{d.}$

Rychard cooke for hys paynes to Wellynton viii$^{d.}$

to Robert butter for workmanshyp iii$^{s.}$

candle lyght ii$^{d.}$

(51v) It' the churche ys indebted unto Jhon Clyberye bell founder fyrst for metall iii$^{li.}$ ii$^{s.}$
It' castyng the thrid bell to be payde at the twelve-monethas end xlvi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(52) Robert butter & Jhon Meeson (1594—5)
Paymentes fyrst payd John glyberie three poundes
for a bell bowe ii$^{d.}$
for bell bucles ii$^{d.}$
for candles to serue ye Ringers lyght ii$^{d.}$

(52v) Jhon Preston & frances (sic) butter (1595—6)

(53v) Paymentes—for dressyng of armure ii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
for a prynted prayer vi$^{d.}$
for the kepyng of the armure xvi$^{d.}$
for caryage of a walnut tree xviii$^{d.}$

(54v) John Parton & Jhon Bole (1596—7)

(55v) Paymentes—It' our charges at Wellynton at the castyng of our second bell xiii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

(56) to the bell founder for metall xxxiii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
the caryage of our secōd bell x$^{s.}$

(56v) Thomas Eldershaw & Jhon Spender (1597—8)
*(Nothing particular.)*

(58) Hugh bole & Jhon Spender (1598—9)

(58v) Paymentes—for wrytyng our Regester booke v$^{s.}$
copying our regyster booke & delyveringe of hyt forth vii$^{s.}$
spent at te same tyme vii$^{d.}$
parchement for the same xii$^{d.}$
for keepyng the harnes two years togeder ii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
on prayer booke iiii$^{d.}$

(59) unto the belfounder 36$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(60) Oliver brett & Wyllyā fernell (1599—1600)

(61) Paymentes—caryage of a letter vi$^{d.}$
for parchment & copying our Regester x$^{d.}$
sendyng hyt out vi$^{d.}$
dressyng the harnes xvi$^{d.}$
to the deacon for kepyng ye bels 5$^{s.}$
the Ryng'rs iii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
besyde that we was given

(62) Edward tetnall & Jhon bere (1600—1601)

(63) Paymentes—a presept vi$^{d.}$
for mendyng the carpet i$^{d.}$
to fraunces butter for dressyng harnes 16$^{d.}$
to the Deacon for tendyng the bels 5$^{s.}$

(63v) Wyllyā Pye & Robert Boydon (1601—2)

(64v) Paymentes. Parchment & the makyng & sendyng
forth our Register booke xxii$^{d.}$
one booke of articles 12$^{d.}$
for payntyng the churche xxvi$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
buckles for baldrockes iii$^{d.}$
for dressyng harnes 16$^{d.}$

(65v) Rychard virges & Thomas Snape (1602—3)

(66) parchement & coping our Register booke xx$^{d.}$

(66v) Xp'or mulliners & Henrye Ellerton (1603—4)

(67) Año Domeny 1604 beinge ye seconde yeare of the rayne of our soverayne lorde Kynge James
Reseved of alewne 4$^{li.}$
Bestowed to master Hoole for parchment & wrytynge out ye regester Booke & sending it to letchfielde 2$^{s.}$
for skoryng ye Church harnes 2 yeares 2$^{s.}$ 8$^{d.}$
bestowed on a pore woman 6$^{d.}$
payde to the Ryngers for ye Kynge 4$^{s.}$
to the veker for wrytynge the last yere 8$^{d}$
for a booke of Cananes 1$^{s.}$ 2$^{d.}$
for hellynge ye graves 6$^{d.}$
for a Comvnȳon Booke 7$^{s.}$ 6$^{d.}$

(68) Thomas Shelley & Henry Eerpe (1604—5)

(68v) Paymentes—to the paynter for drawy'g the kyngs arms x$^{s.}$

(69) dressyng harnes 16$^{d.}$
to the vicker for makyng our booke viij$^{d.}$

(69v) Wyllyā bryā & Frances butter (1605—6)

(70) Payd—for Ryngyng on on of (sic) the kyngs holydaye 4$^{s.}$ 6$^{d.}$

(70v) Peter Massey & Robert Butter (1606—7)
(No accounts entered)

(71) Michaell ellerton & Homfrey Sucarr (1607—8)

(71v) Paymentes carying out other presentment to lichfeld 6$^{d.}$

(72) for wasshyng the church cloythes xii$^{d.}$

(72v) Thomas shelle & Launcelot menton (1609)
fyrst Received of Thomas Hunt for a Legatie from Rauffe spender 30$^{s.}$
for a buriall (*received*) of thomas hunt 3$^{s.}$
of the glass folkes for a buriall 3$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

(73) Paymentes—ffyrst for a carpet 8$^{s.}$
for wasshyng the churche clothes ii$^{s.}$

(73v) Thomas Eldershaw & thomas eatun (1610)
mr Juels workes & the parator xxv$^{s.}$

(74) mendynge the leades iii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
skowryng harnes xvi$^{d.}$
charges wt bookes & all aparators at my lord bysshopps visitation at stafford the 26daye of februarye xii$^{s.}$ v$^{d.}$
tymber worke to the clocke & mendyng the church gate & the bell iii$^{s.}$
wasshyng the church cloths xviii$^{d.}$

(74v) John tew & Francis butter (1611)
Receaved, Elsabeth Leeke a poore woeman to ye castinge of ye greate bell iii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$

(75) Expenses to ye belfounder for earnest vi$^{d.}$
for Tilshaws oxen(1) ii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
att taking downe the bells for viii$^{d.}$
or charges att Wellington xxviii$^{s.}$ iii$^{d.}$
for over-weight in mettall att ye castinge of or. bells xxxiii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
To Will'm Earpe xii$^{d.}$
to Reginald Boulde for taking downe the bells and hanging them up ii$^{s.}$
for drinke att ye hanging of yē up vi$^{d.}$
to the bellfownder for casting ye belles iiii$^{li.}$
for the mending of a bells clapper att Will'm pies buriall iii$^{s.}$
to the ryngers the 5th of August being Gowries conop: xii$^{d.}$
for a dayes worke to ye syde singlers 12$^{d.}$ a peece ii$^{s.}$
to Thomas Gregory for Oxen att ye carrying of ye bells ii$^{s.}$

(75v) for wyer to the clocke i$^{d.}$
to Margaret Butter for keeping cleane the harnesse xvi$^{d.}$
for washing of church-clothes ii$^{s.}$

(76) Robt Tatnall & Richard Corfielde (1612)
Paid—for mending ye surplesse v$^{d.}$
for a santes bell roape ii$^{d.}$
for iron worke about ye clocke and bells vii$^{d.}$
for ye roape for the clock xii$^{d.}$
for wier for the clocke iii$^{d.}$
for a cōmunion upon the 5th of Novēber in breade & wine xx$^{d.}$
for the sending away of the first Collecc̄ōn gather for St Albans Church vi$^{d.}$
for sending ye 2 Collecc̄on of ye Church vi$^{d.}$

(77) John Spender & Griffith Smith (1613)
Paid—for a ladder for the Church iiii$^{s.}$

(1) (?) Oxen drew the cart with the Bells.

a rope to ye Clocke pease xvi$^{d.}$
mending the clocke ix$^{d.}$
a pullesse for ye clocke v$^{d.}$
two Collecōns for St Albans vii$^{s.}$ iii$^{d.}$
wyer for ye clock iii$^{d.}$
keeping ye harnesse xvi$^{d.}$
for a shaft for the clocke viii$^{d.}$
for ye mending of or. bible and my charges to fetch itt and bring itt to shrewsbury x$^{s.}$ xi$^{d}$
to Rich. wats for ye clock xii$^{d.}$

(78) Humfrey Boyden & George Bulkley (1614)
Paid—for a booke of articles ii$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
for ye lichgates workmansheepe & timber x$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$
to Will'm Erpe for mending ye clock and a bels clapper ii$^{s.}$ 8$^{d.}$
to Will'm Erpe for on crooke to ye lichgates ii$^{d.}$
to Thomas Simkins for his worke about ye lichgates and Church v$^{s.}$
for Goale money and maymed souldiers payde by vs. bycause the newly chosen Churchwardens would not vndertake their office according to custome iiii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$

(79) Will'm Koxe for whom Thomas Madeley did serve ye place by him being hired (hindered *erased*) & Will Careles (1615)

*(Nothing particular.)*

(79v) Richarde Virgges & William Ellerton (1616)
Pd for a cōion for a sicke woeman att Ellerton vi$^{d.}$
to a poor mane for a breffe vi$^{d.}$
a poor man for a breffe ii$^{d.}$
the Vicar for copying the register book in parish 2$^{s.}$

(80v) Ric Simpkyne & ffrauncs Butter (1617)

*(After the names of the Churchwardens we now begin to find entries of four overseers of the poor and four supervisors for the highways)*

Disbursings—for timber and makinge lethers for the beles ii$^{s.}$ iii$^{d.}$

(81v) Thomas Snape & Robert Tatnall (1618)
Chardges lai'd out; for wyne for a Comōmūōn for some yt did not receue one ester day but on the second sondaie after 3$^{d.}$
or. chardges & Vicars dynnar at the Visitācon at Stafford & carrying of ye copies of ye register ye 22nd day of Aprill 8$^{s.}$ 6$^{d.}$

(82v) Thomas Burton & William Erpe (1619)

Payde for iron worke aboute ye dore into ye church-yard iii$^{s.}$ viii$^{d.}$
to Robert Preston for makinge ye doare into ye church-yard and mendinge the windowes on ye steeple xx$^{s.}$

(83) Spent at Drayton the xviith of November beinge called before ye lo. Byshop and other Fathers vi$^{d.}$
for wyne for ye Cōmūnion wth offantary xxii$^{d.}$
payde to the Paynters for bewtefinige of ye church ye viiith of December xxxv$^{s.}$ iiii$^{d.}$
bestowed of them in drinke & other expenses ii$^{s.}$
for wood for the Paynters ffire xii$^{d.}$
for patches of leather to make sise for ye Paynters vi$^{d.}$

(85) Thomas Cooper & Humfrey Suker all's Lainton (1620)
Disbursinges, or. chardges, Vicars dynner & fees at the lord Bish. visitacōn at Stafford & taking of ye register boke to litchfeyld 9$^{s.}$ 10$^{d.}$
given to a woman yt had a child borne at Hunters of gouldston for to dischardg the parishe for ever of the said child vi$^{s.}$ 8$^{d.}$
to mr Vicar for ye copie of the register booke yt was sent to Litchfyld at Estr 2$^{s.}$
for a coppie of the Register booke for whole 3 yeares given in at my Lord Bishops trienniall Visitacōn 3$^{s.}$
To John Manchester for a beeve

(84v) On this page there are nine entries relating to "*geoyle monney*" made in the form of memoranda and dated 1592—these memoranda tell of quarterly payments of "*geoyle monney*" to "*mr Doyne hyghe Constable*" in 1591—2, in the same hand as the accounts for that year —there is also the following very interesting memorandum, also in the same hand:—

"*Md rec. ffrom mr Doyne the firste of Januarie 1595 i corslett*
"*i sworde one dagg i gyrdley into the Custodye of ffrauncis*
"*Butter then Churchewarden, savinge that the hedpece doith*
"*wante an eare & that he is to have xvi$^{d.}$ for ev'y yeare that he*
"*doith kepe the same.*"

(85v) to ye Vicr for Wryting this or. booke of Accounte i$^{s.}$
to Thomas mullinors for laying stones on a grave 4$^{d.}$

(86) William Dod & Robert Barker (1621)
Disbursinges ffor or. chardges & fees & 2 bookes & ye Vicars dynner 12$^{s.}$ i$^{d.}$
a dooble loode of lyme 20$^{d.}$
& to goodmā Tu for Cariadge 8$^{d.}$
to ye Vicar for making 2 bandes & a bill 1$^{s.}$
for a pound of glue: & 2 hoopes of glovers patches 10$^{d.}$

for a pott of ale to the masons 1d.
to Cresses wyf for vse of a pan to boyle patches & glue 2d.
to Wydow Madeley for wood & troble of her hose to boyle yt in 4d.
to ffrauncis Buttr for Wood to boyle ye led 2s. 3d.
Such work as hath byn doon upon ye steeple & on a gutter betweene ye church & chancell ye 14th of August 1621. The whole some of this worke amounteth to three poundes on shilling & on peny, whereof seven shillings eight pence belonged to or. half of the gutter 3li. iis. id.
for six dayes dyet in working wth. the workmen 2s. 6d.
to a Joyner for 2 daies work 2s.

(86v) to Peter Bowers glasier for putting in 45 q'uarrells at 1d. a q'uarrell 3s. 9d.
for new leadinge 2 foote & a half at 3d. a foote viiid.
for repayring on pane 4d.
for on dayes worke & Laying 3 pound of Souther 4s. 2d.

(87) Mr Williā Wedgwood & William Gregory (1622)
Disbursinges—ffor or. chardges & ffees & mr vicars dynner at ye Visitācon next after ester and for the carriage of the Coppie of the register booke to litchfelde xls. 10d.
ffor Wm gregorys expense at Eccleshall when hee went wth others before ye lord Bishop about a child of John Bradshaws that Anthony Coope was hired to keepe 4d.
To mr vicar for ye copie of ye Register Booke 2s.
for a bell claper at ye firners 5s. 8d.
for ye makeinge to Williā Erpe 2s. 6d.
for his mans expences & daies worke for forging yt 15d.
to Williā Peate for going to Offley to inquire for Iron for a clapper 2d.
for a warrant to ye lord bishops clerk for Mythmā & others 6d.
To Hugh Ridgway for bringin a Citacon for Thomas Phillips & serving it 2s.
To mr Tho Tayllor Proctor 5s. 1d.

(87v) To Margarett Butter for dressing & keeping ye harnes 4s. 4d.

(89) John Bryan & Humfrey Boyde (1623)
Disbursinges or. charges at Eccleshall about ye difference of Soudleys quarter leaune viz, to ye Lord Bish'ps clerk for wryting a lre 2s.
at ye lords bishops trienniall visitacōn at Stafford the first of September xls. 6d.

for 2 peeces of Tymber to make a seat at ye north side of the Church & Cariage of thē & settinge thē up 4s.
for bred & wyn for a Comunion at all Sayntes 21d.
for a poyse rope 1s.
to mr vicar for ye copie of ye register book in parchmt. 2s.
to hym for wrytinge or. book of Accountes 1s.
& for making a band for ye parish 6d.
To Margaret butter for dressing ye Churche harnes 16d.

(89v) to Wydow Madeley 8s. 8d. viz 6s. 8d. whereof for tending ye bells and 2s. for washinge ye church clothes 8s. 8d.

(90) Receiptes—twoe lewnes & a half lewne 10li.

(91) Gryffith Croych & Richard Eaton (1624)
Disbursinges—for mendyng ye surples 6d.
at Drayhton at ye 1 moneths meetinge to present absentes from church 8d.
To Wm Erp for mendinge ye leading bell claper & the buckle of the greate bell 7d.
to a glacier for glas & glaseinge 4s. 4d.
to Williā Dod for lyme to fasten ye glas 4d.

(91v) to Thomas Wolrish for mending ye clocke 2s.
to an Apparitor for spareing of calling us to Careswall about the decay & insufficiency of ye churchyard wall 6d.
to an Irishman yt had Authoryty to gather in townes as he travelled home 6d.

(92) Receiptes. Receved a leawne of four poundes wantinge 14d. viz 8d. thereof belonging to Richard Smithman & 6d. belonging to William Ellerton wch 14d. ye lord byshop did will yt. yt should be forgiven them for this tyme only
of Thomas Lucas for a grave in ye churche 3s. 4d.

(92v) *Notes of collections made after Briefs for various places, here condensed as follows:—*

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| Cawston | | April 12 1685 | 4. | 2 |
| Aldrewas | co. Stafford | May 17 | 4. | 8. |
| Stavarton | co. Northampton | May 31 | 3. | 6 |
| Haresden | co. Oxford | June 7 | 4. | 7. |
| Besford | co. Leicester | July 5 | 4. | 7 |
| Bloxwich | co. Stafford | July 19 | 3. | 4¾ |
| Hacksbee, N.R. | co. York | Aug 2 | 4. | 0¼ |
| Bemister | co. Dorset | Aug. 9 | 4. | 0 |
| Lilleshall | co. Salop | Aug. 30 | 2. | 7½ |

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| (93) | Market Deeping co. Lincoln | Sep. 13 | 3. | 7 |
| | Hichinghall W.R. co. York | Sep. 27 | 2. | 3 |
| | Samuel Worrall in Wissemundar Lizard in Staffordshire | Oct. 18 | 3. | 7 |
| | Kirsenten co. Cumberland | Feb 14 | 4. | 4. |

May 9th 1686 Collected for the ffrench-protestants Briefe gathered from house to house & names of the givers set downe sum of 01l. 05s. 0d.

(94) William Pylston & Richard Bradley (1625)

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| Disburseinges, hire for a horse to ride to ye Visitacon | 8d. |
| to William Dod for Wyttlyme wch was used in ye ould Wardens tyme | 6d. |
| for 2 new bell wheeles | 12s. 6d. |
| for Nayles to mend the Church Wickett | 1d. |
| to a strange precher | 2s. 6d. |
| for 2 new prayer bookes for wednesdayes | 20d. |
| for his chardge yt brought them | 9d. |
| for mending ye leading bell wheele | 14d. |
| for nayles & mending too pynns & 2 clips | 4d. |
| hyre for a horse to Stafford | 8d. |
| for 2 clips over the leding bells brasses | 4d. |
| for mendinge ye churche Lather | 7d. |
| — ye clock | 8d. |
| to a poore distressed man xiid. that had the lik in other parisses collected for hyme | 12d. |
| for a booke of thanckes giveinge | 3d. |
| to a paritor that cam about recusantes & carrying of the presentmt. of them to Lytchfyld | 7d. |
| to a poore man that travelled with a passe into ye shire to collect by ye way | 2d. |
| to Mr Vicar for making this our booke of Accounts | 12d. |

(95) Thomas Greene & Will Elerton (1626)

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| Disbursings pd for mending the clocke to Thomas Wollderedg | iiis. iiiid. |
| to mr Wellinges for copying the Regester for that year past | iis. |
| to mr Wellinges for writing presentment | xiid. |
| pd the vicar for making our presentment | xiid |
| for our charges at Carswall about the church wall & feese for that defalt | iiis. viiid. |

(95v) for a booke that came to the vicor xvid.

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|---|---|
| pd one for going to Exellsall | iis. |
| for bread & wine at Easter 14 quartes at 16d. a quart | xixs. iid. |
| Robert Madley for tending the belles & his mother for washyng the church cloathes | viiis. viiid. |

Rec of Nicolas Mathew for abut ii$^{d.}$

*(No Accounts for 1627.)*

(96) Humfrey Deane & John Croyche (1628)

Disbursings—or charges at Salop when we were about papistes there 2$^{s.}$ 8$^{d.}$

to mr Vicar for the copie of ye Register book 2$^{s.}$

ffor a table & wryting of the names of the benefactors to the Poore of the said parishe 8$^{s.}$

& to Wm Cox for a hooke & a ringe to hang the same table 2$^{d.}$

To a man yt gathered for a distressed ffrench minister yt did so write about Warwicke 6$^{d.}$

To Tho. Robison paritor that cited us to Caveswall abutt ye Insufficiency off the church yardes fence 12$^{d.}$

given to Robison ye aparator for to spare or. appearance at Cavswell for default of repayre of ye church yeard wall 1$^{s.}$

for Humfrey Deane his chardges at Salop about recusantes for John Croych & the sydemen theire charges at ye visitation at Stafford the 9th day of October 5$^{s.}$ 3$^{d.}$

To Tho. Robynson ye apparitor for Carring a Collēcon & names of recusantes to Lytchfyld for a bottell 6$^{d.}$

(96v) To Raphe Mullinax for hanging ye church ladder & mending ye steeple dore 22$^{d.}$

To Wyde Madley for washing ye church clothes & tending ye bells & 2$^{d.}$ in candles 8$^{s.}$ 10$^{d.}$

To Margaret Butter for skurynge harness 16$^{d.}$

To mr Vicar ffor wryting or. accountes 12$^{d.}$

To ye Constables John Meson & Wm Gregory for a Souldior lodging & Vittells 1$^{s.}$ 4$^{d.}$

The following accounts are the earliest in the book as will be seen from the dates—they are written on the two last leaves and are here given in extenso : :—

(98) The yere of or. lorde gode mvcxliiii(1) the xxvi day of Ja—

Humfrey ellarton & rycharde spender chosyn chyrchew——

The receytes

ffyrst of thomas hunt for the byryall of his chylde & lygh——

for pas-call money

for the hyre of a cowe wt thomas Hunt

for the hyre of a cowe wt Jhon pert of Adbastun

for the hyre of a cowe wt rycharde gregory for woole

receyvyd of Jhon Hamlet rent for or. lady day

(1) 1544.

of Humfrey Ellartun rent for tymys past
for the byryall of Jhon North & hys chylde
off rychard Harper
for the beryall of ellyn brodhurst
for the beryall of Isabell Hudsun
a° M vc xlv(2)
ffor or. ladys yeres gyft
for the hyre of a cowe wt thomas Hunt
off rycharde Harper for a Neddy(3)
recevyd for thys yere past

(98v) The paymentys

(*) *fore edge of leaf gone all the way down.*

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| —* | — | wt the makyng & meyte & drynke at the same tyme | xvi$^{s.}$ |
| — | — | & taloe candyllys | vi$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | leddyr to mend the badrykkys of the bellys | vi$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | arde gregory fo shyngyllynge | ii$^{s.}$ vi$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | hochekys for halfe a lambe | vi$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | sytacyons & the kyng' besyness | xv$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | ng of the churche cloythys | ii$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | tasker for tendyng of the bellys & ryngyng for | |
| — | — | l of the paryshe | xxi$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | for the generall dyryge & mass | v$^{d.}$ |
| — | — | for peymensse of the same yere | xxiii$^{s.}$ vii$^{d.}$ |

(99) Here foloo the peymentys that Wyllyam tasker hathe paed since the departure of Jhon manchester
ffyrst to Jhon buttur of Draytun for wax
to thomas hochekys for halfe a lambe
ffor dressyng of the bellys
ffor the generall mynday
to robart cowke
for wesshyng of churche cloythys
ffor taloo candyllys
ffor c of neylys
ffor my costys to the rysytasyon at Stoone
ffor neylys
ffor a beyreche to rycharde gregory
to rycharde gregory for leying ii M shyngylys
for talo candyllys
ffor ii kyne
ffor makyng of wax at crystynmas
Ite lyyng in the handys of a honest man
ite in the handys of Jhon manchester
ite in the handys of rycharde Harper
Ite rest in the handys of rycharde gregory for Wole
Ite in the handys of thomas lancastyre for Wole

(2) 1545
(3) A Donkey.

## APPENDIX B.

## FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY.

### i. Thursday after 3rd S. in Advent.

folio 1.

ad montem filia sion Exion (sic.) species decoris egus, de petra.

(S.i. cxxii.)

Prior ergo nobis beata dei genitrix ad sublimitatem patric celesta iter ostendit humilitatis : non minus religionis quam castitatis exemplo venerabilis. Si quidem gloria virginei et intemerati corporis qualis sit vita superne civitatis ad quam suspiramus insinuat : ubi neque rubent neque rubentur, sed sunt sicut angeli dei in celo ac

S.i. cxxiij.

virtute mentis eximia qua ad hanc pertingere debeamus indicat. Namque sicut precedente sancti evangelii lectione cognovimus postquam angelica visione et allocutione meruit sublimari postquam se celesti honestamdum partui didicit requaquam se de donis celestibus quasi a se hec essent

dia S.

extulit, sed ut magis magisque donis esset apta divinis in custodiam humilitatis gressum mentis fixit ita evangelizanti sibi archangelo respondens : Ecce ancilla domini, fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum. ℟. Germinaverunt campi heremi germen odoris israhel quia ecce deus noster cum virtute veniet Et splendor ejus cum eo Exion. **L. iij. (?)**

S.i. cxxiij.

Ut vero ex hodierna lectione audivimus, eandem quam angelo exibuerat humilitatem quoque hominibus curavit exhibere et quod majoris est virtutis. Hoc etiam minoribus. Quis enim nesciat vrginem

mulière vero dedita.

deo consecratam mulierem deo debitam gradum habere (? xi.) potiorem. Quis dubitet matrem regis eterni jure

matri.

folio i. b.

matris militis esse preferendam Aut (At S.) tamen ipsa memor scripture precipientis quanto magnus eo humilitate

ac.

in omnibus : mox ut angelus qui loquebatur ei ad celestia rediit : surget ad montana conscendit : geotans-que in utero deum servorum dei habitacula petit ac requirit alloquia ; Et apte post visionem angeli in montana subiit que gustata suavitate super norum civium ; Humilitatis se gressibus ad virbutum alta transtulit.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

1.—Thursday in 3rd week in Advent. 2.—4th S in Advent.

S.I. cxxiv. **Re.** Videbunt gentes justum tuum et cunctis (sic) reges inclitum tuum et vocabitur tibi nomen novum quod os domini nominavit Et eris corona glorie in manu domini et diadema regni in manu dei tui. Et vocabitur Emitte agnum domine. **In l' A.** De sion veniet dominus omnipotens ut salvum faciat populum suum EVOVAE. **A.** Convertere domine aliquantulum et ne tardas venire ad servos tuos. evovae. **A.** De sion veniet qui regnaturus est dominus emanuel magnum nomen ejus. evovae. **A.** Ecce deus meus et honorificabo eum deus patris mei et exaltabo eum. evovae. **A.** Dominus legi fer noster dominus rex noster ipse veniet et salvabit nos. evovae. **Cap.** Nox precessit. v. q. Vox clamantis.

Second Fragment folio 2. 4th S. in Advent.

folio 2. (ambu) labunt homines in salvatione. In caritate perpetua dilexi te ideo attraxi te miserans. Ambulabunt **te viii.**

S.I. cxliv. v. in blue Dum ergo fratres johannes non vult appetere nomen xpi? factus ÷ (est) membrum christi; qua dum infirmitatem suam studuit humiliter agnoscere; illius calsetudinem meruit veraciter optinere: Sed cum exlectione alia redemptoris nostri sententia ad mentem reducitur? ex hujus nobis lectionis verbis? questio valde nodosa generatur; Alis enim (quippe) in loco inquisitus a discipulis dominus de helie adventu? respondit; Helias jam venit? et non cognoverunt eum? sed fecerunt in eo quecunque voluerunt; & si vultis scire? johannes ipse est Helias. Requisitus autem johannes dicit non sum helias; Tu autem.

implexa S.

dixit.

S.I. cxliv. ent. **Re.** Juravi' dicit dominus ut ultra jam non irascar super terram montes enim et colles suscipient justiciam meam & testamentum pacis erit in ierusalem Juxta est salus mea ut veniat and justicia mea ut reveletur, Et testamentum.

This is R. 7 in S. and R. 6 in Y.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

2.—4th S. in Advent.

Very long initial covers 7 lines.

Johannes g igitur fratres in spiritu helias **t. ix.** erat? in persona helias non erat. Quod ergo dominus fatetur de spiritu? hoc johannes denegat de persona. Quia et justum sic erat? ut & discipulis dominus spiritalem de johanne sententiam diceret, et johannes idem turbis carnalibus; non de suo spiritu? sed de corpore responderet, Contrarium ergo veritate videtur esse quod johannes sonuit? sed tamen a veritatis tramite non recessit: Qui cum se etiam prophetam regat. quia qui
fol. 2 b. v delicit non solum poterat dominum predicare sed etiam demonstrare? quisnam sit continuo exprimit dum subjungit Ego vox clamantis in deserto. Tu autem.

S.i. cxlv. **Re.** Montes israhel ramos vestros expandite & florete & fructum facite prope est ut veniat dies domini Rorate
S.i. cxlvi. celi desuper et nubes pluant justum aperiatur terra et germinet salvatorem Prope est.

CANITE tuba in syon quia prope est dies domini ecce veniet ad salvandum nos. Alleluia, Alleluia evovae. **A** Ecce veniet desideratus cunctis gentibus & replebitur gloria domus domini. Alleluia evova. **A** Erunt prava in directa et aspera in vias planas veni domine et noli tardare Alleluia evovae. **A** Dominus veniet occurrite illi dicentes magnum principium et regni ejus non erit finis deus fortis dominator princeps pacis. Alleluia Alleluia euovae. **A** Omnipotens sermo tuus domine a regalibus sedibus veniet Alleluia.

**Cap** Ecce virgo concipiet **H (?) V**ox clara ecce Vox clamantis.

one line left blank here. Ave maria gratia plena, &c.
**Or** Deus qui conspicis quia ex nostra. Req.

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Lect. ix. Jonannes... .....responderet Y. 1. 63 not in S.
R.—Montes Israhel after lec. 8 in S. and not at all in Y, but the is in both,
This oratorio is for the 3rd S. in Advent, in S. & Y.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

folio 3.

3rd Fragment. Cena Dñi.

S.i. dcclxxvj. x

vadam immolari pro vobis. Ecce appropinquabit hora et filius hominis tradetur in manus peccatorum. Vos.

Facti sunt hostes ejus in capite. He. inimici locupletati sunt, quia dominus locutus est super eam Propter multitudinem iniquitatum ejus parvli. ejus ducti sunt in captivitatem? ante faciem tribulantist V a.V. Egressus est a filia syonomnis decor ejus facti sunt principes ejus? velut arietes non invenientes pascua? et abierunt absque fortitudine ante faciem subsequentis.

dcclxxvij.

L. Ecce vidimus eum non habentem speciem neque decorum aspectus ejus in eo non est, hic precata nostra

dcclxxvij.

portavit et pro nobis dolens ipse autem vulneratus est propter iniquitates nostras cujus livore sanati sumus. Vere languores nostros ipse abstulit & infirmitates nostras ipse

S.i. ibidem.

portavit. Cujus. Liberavit dominus pauperem a potente &

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inopem cui non erat adjutor **po** Deus judicium. **A** Cogitaverunt impii et locuti sunt requitiam, item iniquitatem in excelso locuti sunt. **po** Quam bonus. **A** Exurge domine & judica causam meam. **po** Ut quid deus Deus meus eripe me.

dcclxxviij.

Exaudi deus orationem meam cum tribulor a timore inimici eripe animam meam. Servierunt (sic pro sevierunt) inimici in martires. Quid orabat ista vox corporis christi? Hoc orabat ut eruerentur ab inimicis? and non eos possent occidere inimici. Ergo exauditi non

fol. 3 b.

sunt quia occisi sunt & deseruit deus contritos corde servos suos et sperantes in se despexit? Absit? Quis enim invocavit dominum et derelictus est? Quis speravit in eo et desertus est ab eo?

dcclxxix.

**R.** Una hora non potuistis vigilare mecum qui exhortabamini mori pro me vel judam non videtis quomodo non dormit sed festinat tradere me judeis. Dormite jam and requiescite ecce appropinquabit qui me traditurus est in manus peccatorum. Vel.

This lectio is not in S but in Y. as lectio 3.

R. Ecce vidimus Y. resp. after 3rd lectio. S. 4th lection.—Y. do. and so here.

S. Resp. after 6th lectio. Y. do.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

3.—Maunday Thursday. 4.—Easter Eve and Day.

dcclxvviij. Et exaudiebantur ergo et occidebantur? et tamen ab inimicis eruebantur. Alii timentes consentiebant & vivebant? & tamen ipsi ab inimicis absorbebantur. Occisi eruebantur? viventes absorbebantur? In die est illa vox gratulationis forsitan vivos absorbissent nos. Multi absorti? & vivi absorpti mortui absorti.

ibidem. **R.** Judas mercator pessimus osculo petiit dominum. ille ut agnus innocens non negat Jude osculum denariorum numero xpistum judeis tradidit* Melius illi fuerat si natus non fuisset. Ven.

Qui putaverunt inanem esse fidem xanam? **l. vi.** mortui absorpti sunt. Qui autem scientes veritatem esse predicationem evangelii xpm esse dei filium scientes & hoc credentes hoc intus tenentes, ceperunt tamen doloribus et idolis sacrificaverunt vivi
fol. 3 b. absorpti sunt. Illi absorti sunt quia mortui. Illi autem quia absorpti sunt? mortui. Non enim absorti vivere potuerunt? quamvis vivi absorpberentur.

S.i. dcclxvxiij. **R.** Unus ex discupulis meis tradet me hodie ve illi per quem tradar ego melins.

4th Fragment.—Folio 4.

folio 4. dccxcv. ibid. [An Habitabit] in tabernaculo tuo requiescet in monte sancto tuo Domine quis habitabit, Caro mea ā requiescet in spe Conserva

ibid. In pace in idipsum.

Versus insidians. Samech.
factus est michi? leo in absconditis et confregit me? & posuit me desolatum. Tetendit arcum suum? posuit me quasi signum ad sagittam. Misit in renibus meis? filias pharetre sue.

In dic—should probably be Inde.
R. This R (not in Y) goes in S. as here after lec V.
* This V has lines for Music but no notation introduced; the truth is this V belongs to next response: and the proper one is introduced in margin, viz.:—Avaricie inebriatus veneno dum sitit lucrum pervenit adlaqueum veneno.
These anthems p.s. and versicle are same in S. & Y.
Lament 3. 10—13. R. Sepulto. This is R. 1 in S. & Y.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

4.—Easter Eve and Day.

dccxcv. **R.** Sepulto domino signatum est monumentum volventes lapidem ad hostium monumenti ponentes milites (qui) custodirent (scratched out and 'illud' written over) Ne forte veniant discipuli ejus et furentur eum & dicant plebi surrexit a mortuis. Ponentur. **lc. ii.**

A.I.H F[2]actus sum in derisum omni populo meo. canticum eorum tota die. Replevit me armaritu dinibus; inebriavit absintio. Effregit ad numerum dentes meos? cibante me cinere Et repulsa est anima mea? oblitus sum malorum[1] YaY* Et dixit[2] periit finis meus et spes mea a domino.

dccxcix. **R.** Jerusalem luge & excue te vestibus jocunditatis induere cinere & cilicio quia in te occisus (est) salvator israel Plangent eum quasi unigenitum quia innocens dominus occisus est Sal(vator).

Recordare paupertatis et transgressionis mee **c. iii.** absintei & fellis memoriam memor ero? et tabescet in me anima mea Hoc recolens in corde meo? ideo sperabo in eo misericordie nomini[3] multe, dccc. fol. 4 b. quia nos sumus consumpti quia non defecerunt miserationes ejus. Renova illas diluculo c (? cum) multa est fides tua. **R.** Plange quasi virgo plebs mea ululate pastores dccxcvij. in cinere et cilicio quia veniet dies domini magna et amara valde Ululate pastores et clamate et aspergite vos cinere. fol. 4 b. Quia. **A'** °Elevamini porte eternales & introibit rex glorie. dccxcvij. Domini est terra. **A''** Credo videre bona domini in terra viventium. Dominus illuminatio. **A''** Domine abstraxisti ab inferis animam meam Exaltabo te domine Tu autem domine miserere.

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2.—Lament 3. 14—18. [1] Should be bonorum. *VaV. 2.—Should be dixi.
R.—Jerusalem. This is R 2 also in Y, but in S R6, but the here is not in Y.
3.—Lament 3. 19—23. 3.—stet. R. Plange in S. R 7, but in Y as here R 3.
°—These anthems p.s. and versicles on same in S. & Y.
[1] From St. Augustine's Ps. lxiv. 6 as also lectio 2 & 3.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

4.—Easter Eve and Day.

E[1]xacuerunt tanquam gladium linguas suas? intenderunt arcum rem amaram. Arcum? dicit insidias Qui enim gladio communi pugnat? aperte pugnat. Qui sagittam mittit? fallit ut feriat. Prius enim sagitta
dccxcvj. pervenit? quam venire ad vulnus (se?) prevideatur. **R**[2] Recessit pastor noster fons aque vive ad cujus transitum sol obscuratus est nam et ille captus est qui captivum tenebat primum hominem. hodie portas mortis et seras paritor salvator noster disrumpit. Ante cujus conspectum mors fugit ad cujus vocem mortui resurgunt videntes autem eum porte mortis confracte sunt. Hodie.

S[1]ed quum laterent insidie cordis humani? Nunquid et dominum nostrum..... xpm qui non opus habebat ut ei testimonium quisquam peribet[3] (?) de homine ipse enim sciebat quid esset in homine? sicut evangelista testatur. Tamen audiamus eos. et
dccci. intueamur eos: quasi nesciente domino facere quod moliuntur **R**[4] O. vos omnes qui transitis per viam. attendite & videte te si est dolor similis sicut dolor meus. Attendite universi populi & videte si **Lc. vi.**

I[1]ntenderunt arcum rem amaram—ut sagittent in occultis immaculatum. Quod dixit intenderunt arcum hoc
fo. 5. est in abscondito quasi fallentes insidiis. Nostis enim quibus dolis id egerunt. quemadmodum discipulum ei coherentem pecunia corruperunt. ut sibi traderetur. Quomodo falsos testes procuraverunt. quibus insidiis ei
dccxcviij. dolis egerunt? sagittarent in ocultis immaculatum **R**[5] Ecce quomodo moritur justus et nemo percipit corde et viri justi tolluntur et nemo considerat a facie iniquitatis
lccxcix. oblatus est justus et erit in pace memoria ejus. In pace factus est locus ejus et in sion habitatio ejus. Et **A** deus adjuva me dominus susceptor est anime mee. Deus in nomine tuo. **A**. In pace factus est locus ejus et in sion
fol. 5. habitatio ejus. Notus in judea. **A**. Factus sum sicut
dccxcix. homo sine adjutoris inter mortuos liber. Domine deus salutis. [1]In pace factus. **xxxlvii.**

2.—This R. Recessit in R. 2 in S., but R. 4 in Y as here—[After vulnus there is an e, as if the s of vulnus was absorbed into the s of se. But perhaps this e may be a musical note.]

[1]The m has 3 dots under it as much as to say leave the m out. S has disrupit

3.—Peribet (sic) perhaps for pertiberet. 4.—R. O Vos in S. Rg. but in Y as here R 5.

5.—This R which is not in S is in Y as here R 6. The should be adjuvat. In pace...is only in Y. The here in S is collocavit me but Y has. In pace.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

4.—Easter Eve and day.

ibid. in blue. V.[2]espere autem sabbati que luccessit (sic) in prima sabbati venit MARIA Magdalene and altera maria? videre sepulchrum. ET RELIQUA.

ibid. Vigilias nobis hujus (sacratissime S) sactissime noctis sicut ex lectione evangelica frates karissimi (k m i) audivimus resurrectis domini ac (et S) salvatoris nostri dedicavit. Juste and enim hanc pro ejus amore vigiliis celebramus et hymnis? decc. qui pro nostro amore in ea dormire in mortem (morte S) ac de morte voluit excitari

ibidem. R[3]Estimatus sum cum descendentibus in lacu factus sum sicut homo sine adjutorio inter mortuos liber. Posuerunt me in lacu inferiori in tenebrosis and in umbra mortis. Factus.

decc. fol. 5b. N[4]am sicut ait apostolus mortuus est propter delicta nostra? and resurrexit propter justificationem nostram° Quod ipso quoque statum temporis quo vel mortuus est? in cruce vel a mortuis resurrexit? ostenditur Circa horum quippe noman cum inclinata jam esset od vesperam dies, et tepefactus a meridiano fervore radius solis? misterium victoriosissime passionis consummavit, evidenter se insinuans propter auferenda scelera quibus Y. i. 400. a divina luce et dilectione in hujus noctem perigrinationis incidimus crucis subisse patibulum. R[5] Agnus dei christus immolatus est pro salute mundi nam de parentis prothoplansti fraude facta condolens quando pomi noxialis morte morsu corruit ipse lignum tune notavit dampna ligni et solveret Xpistus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis. Ipse. **[L ix.]?**

Surrexit mane prima sabbati que nunc dies dominica vocatur? manifeste docens se nos a morte anime resurrecturos in lucem perpetue felicitatis esse perducturum. Sed et aliud nobis memorabile misterium tempore sue passionis sepulture and resurrectionis intimare fol. 5b. curavit. Sexta quippe feria crucifixus est? quievit in sepulchro dominica surrexit a mortuis. Significans electis

2.—This Evang. and lectio are in S & Y. Bede. Homilio Osturales de temp. O. P. vii. i.
3.—This R. is R 8 in S, but R 7 in Y.
For this lectio 8 and the next, refer to Bedes homilies as above. 4.—The first sentence of this lec. 8 is in S in lec. 7. ° Here S stops.
5.—This R is R 8, also in Y, but is not in S.

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4.—Easter Eve and Day.

suis per sex hujus secuti etates inter pericula persecutionum bonis speribus insudandum in alia autem vita quasi in sabbato perpetuam requiem animarum esse sperandam porro in dic judicii quasi in die dominico corporum quoque immortalium receptionem esse celebrandam in quibus deinceps anime
dccccxcviij. superno gaudio sine fine fruantur. **R**[1] Sicut ovis ad occisionem ductus est et dum male tractaretur non aperuit
fol. 6. os suum traditus est ad mortem ut vivificaret populum suum.

Ipse autem vulneratus est propter iniquitates nostras
dccci. attritus est propter scelera nostra **A** O mors ero mors tua morsus tuus ero inferne. Miserere. Plangent eum quasi unigenitum quia innocens dominus occisus est.

Judica me deus. **A** Attendite universi populi and videte dolorem meum. Deus deus meus. **A** A porta inferi erue domine animum meam. Ego dixi. **A** O vos omnes qui transitis per viam attendite and videte si est dolor sicut dolor meus. Laudate **A** Mulieres sedentes ad monumentum lamentabantur flentes dominum. Benedictus. Kirrieleison iii. Et post communicetur sacerdos deinde incipiat alva. Et chorus. Laudate dominum omnes gentes. Gloria patri. Item sacerdos. Vespere autem. Covus Magnificat Quo finito cum antiphona vertat se sacerdos ad populum dicens dominus vobiscum. Et sic finiat missam et vesperas o° (omnino?) post communione. Alva. **y**° Laudate dominum. Quoniam confirmata. Allel. Gloria patri. Vespere autem°

dcccii. Spiritum[4] nobis domine tue caratatis in funde ut quos sacrementis paschalibus saciasti tua facias pietate concordes? per dominum in unitate. Ite missa est. Alleluia surrexit[5] dominus vere venite adoremus alleluia.

dcccix. Venite. **A** Ego[6] sum qui sum et consilium meum non est cum impiis sed in lege domini voluntas mea alleluia

Beatus vir. **A** Postulavi patrem meum all'a dedit mihi

[1] This is R 4 in S, but as here in Y. R.g.—only the tag of it is different.
These anthems for lauds with 1 exception are same in S & Y.
2—Very remarkable—a different ps. to both S & Y. which have bonum est confiteri. ps. xcii.
[3] On the margin, the whole length of the folio is the anthem in full Vespere autem sabbati que lucessit in prima sabbati venit maria magdalene et altera maria videre sepulchrum. alleluia. evovae same as in S dcccii. & Y. 1. 401.
5—If this is the Invitatory, it differs from both S. & Y.
6—These anthems and pss. are same in S & Y.

FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

4.—Easter Eve and Day.

folio 6 b. gentes alleluia in hereditatem alleluia. Quare. **A** Ego dormivi et sompnum cepi et exurrexi quoniam dominus suscepit me. Alleluia Alleluia. Domine quid multiplicati. Resurrexit dominus.

dcccx. ibid. In illo tempore Maria magdalene and maria jacobi and salome emerunt aromata? ut venientes ungerent jhesum .....[1]Audistis frates xarissimi quod sancte mulieres que dominum secute fuerant cum aromatibus ad monumentum venerunt and ei quem viventem dilexerant Etiam mortuo studio humanitatis obsequuntur? Sed res gesta aliquid in sancta ecclesia signat gerendum. Sic quippe necesse est ut audiamus que gesta sunt? quatenus cogitemus etiam que nobis sunt ex eorum imitatione facienda. Et nos ergo in eum qui est mortuus credentes. si odore virtutem refecti cum opinione bonorum operum dominum querimus ad monumentum profectò illius cum aromatibus venimus.

dcccxi. **R**[2] **A**ngelus domini descendit de celo and accedens revolvit lapidem and super eum sedit and dixit mulieribus nolite timere seis enim quia crucifixum queretis jam surrexit venite and videte locum ubi positus erat dominus alleluia. Angelus domini locutus est mulieribus dicens quem queritis an jhesum queritis. jam **Lc. ii.**

ibid. Ille[3] autem mulieres angelos vident qui cum aromatibus venerunt? quia videlicit ille mentes supernos aspiciunt cives? que cum virtutem odoribus ad deum per sancta[2] desideria[1] proficiscuntur. Notandum vero nobis est quidnam sit quod in dextris sedere angelus cernetur. Quidnam per sinistram nisi vita perpetua signatur? Unde scriptum est leva ejus sub capite meo? et dextra illius amplexabitur me.

dcccxii. **R**[4] Angelus domini locutus est mulieribus dicens quem queritis [5]jam surrexit venite et videte alleluia alleluia. Ecce precedet vos in galileam ibi eum videbitis sicut dixit vobis.

1—This is lec. 1 in S, but not in Y. 2—This R is the same as R 1 in Y & S.
3—Same in S.—quite different from Y.
4—This R is also R 2 in S & Y. 5—An Jhesum queritis? add S & Y.

## APPENDIX C.

# "Notes on fragments of a Breviary at Cheswardine."

The fragments consist of six leaves of vellum size 11½ by 8 inches, written in double columns in a 12th century hand, with musical notation in red and black (two capitals blue) without any ornamentation. They formed the covers of a book of Churchwardens' accounts beginning A.D. 1544, and those pages which were outside are much worn and soiled. They are now arranged in their proper order and numbered 1 to 6.

Fol. 1—contains part of a service for a week-day in Advent, apparently in the 3rd week.

2—part of service for 4th Sunday in Advent.

3—part of service for Maunday Thursday.

4 to 6—almost the whole of the service for Easter Eve, and part of that for Easter Day.

The services do not seem to correspond with either Sarum or York use. In the following notes they are collated with the Sarum Breviary (Lond 4$^{to}$ 1556) and with York (Venice 1493, reprinted by Surtees Society), also with Roman Breviary (Venice—1582) and with Brev-Monast-Bened (Einsidlen-1738) and with Austin Canons (Louvain-1546).

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## Notes on Fragments of Cheswardine Breviary—continued.

1st portion (Advent feria).

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| fol. 1. | [Re. Emitte agnum Domine dominatorem terræ, de petra deserti] ad montem filiæ sion. | Is. xvi.-1. S.Y. Sabb |
| 'Ex Sion. | V. 'Exion species decoris eius, de petra. | S.Y. Dom. i. post psalmas. |
| | l'c.ij. Prior ergo nobis beata dei genetrix—— verbum tuum. | |
| | R. Germinaverunt campi. | |
| | V. Exion, etc. | |
| | lc'iij. Ut vero ex hodierna leccione ————alta transtulit. | |
| fol. 1, b. | R. Videbunt gentes. | Rom. B. S. |
| | V. Et eris corona. | " " |
| | In laud', ant. De Sion veniet, and all which follows in Sar, and York after 3rd lection of feria v. post dom. iij. adventus, as far as | S.Y. |
| | Cap. Nox processit. | |
| | Hy. Vox clara ecce. | S.Y. |
| fol. 2. | 2nd portion (4th Sunday in Advent). | |
| | [Re. Virgo Israel, etc. ambu]-labunt homines in salvationem. | B. lc. vj. Rom. |
| | V. In caritate perpetua. B. Jer. xxxi., 3. | " " Rom. |
| | lc',viij. Dico ergo fratres Johannes non vult appetere nomen Christi. ———non sum Helyas. | S.Y. but beginning and ending differently. |
| | R Juravi dicit dñs. B. after lc. ix. | Rom. aft. lc. vij. " " lc. viij |
| | V. Juxta est salus mea. " " | S. lc. vij. Y. lc. ij. |
| | lc' ix. Johannes igitur fratres in spiritu helyas—— ——in deserto. | S.Y. as above. |
| fol 2, 3. | R. Montes israhel. | B. after lc. viij. S. |
| | V. Rorate celi. | " " |

Assuming from the lands that this is fer. v. post dom. iij. Advent, all the parts peculiar to the ms are underlined and marked with red ink: peculiar, l.c.—as not being S. or Y. many are Roman.

All peculiar to ms. underlined and so passim. This R & V in S & Y, but not in same place.

NOTES ON FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

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| | In laudibus-an. Canite tuba. | Rom. Ben. S.Y. |
| | an. Ecce Venict. | " " S.Y. |
| | an. Erunt prava. | " " S.Y. |
| | an Dñs venict. | " " S.Y. |
| | an. Omnipotens sermo. | " " S. |
| | Cap. Ecce virgo concipict. | Y. Dom. 1. ad. ix. |
| | Hy. Vox clara ecce. | Rom. Ben. S.Y. |
| | V. Vox clamantis. | " " S.Y. |
| (ad. Ben. an.) | Ave maria gra. pl., etc. | " " see S.Y. |
| | Q̇r. Deus qui conspicis. | S.Y. Dom. 3. |
| | 3rd portion (Maundy Thursday). | |
| fol. 3. | [Re. | |
| | Tristis est, etc.] vadam immolari pro nobis. | " " |
| | V. Ecce appropinquabit hora. | " " |
| | lc'iij. Facti sunt hostes, He,——— | Lam. 1, 5. Y.* |
| | ———subsequentis, Var. | " " 6. |
| | R. Ecce vidimus. V. Vere languores an liberavit dñs, ps-de judic an cogitaver ps q'uam bonus, an exurge-ps. ut quid. V. d-m-euti. | Rom. B. S.Y. |
| | lc'. iiij. Exaudi deus——— | Rom. B. S.Y.‡ |
| | ———desertus ab eo- | " " |
| fol. 3. 6. | R. Una hora non potuistis | S.Y. post lc' vj. |
| | V. Dormite jam. | S.Y. post lc' vj. |
| | lc'v. Et exaudiebantur——— | |
| | ———absorti† | |
| | R. Judas mercator pessimus. | Rom. B. S. |
| This V really is the tag to the R below, 'Unus ex discipulus.' | V. Melius illi fuerat | Rom. B. |
| | in margin. Avaricie inebriatus. | S. |
| | lc' ij. Qui putaverunt inanem | |
| | ———absorpberentur* | |
| | R. Unus ex discipulis. | Rom. B. S.Y. post lc' iv. post lc' vj as here. |

† Same lections in S. differently divided. ‡ but differing in length.
* Continuing exposn., but differing from S.Y.

NOTES ON FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

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| | | 4th portion (Easter Eve and Easter day). | | |
| fol. 4. | [an. | Habitabit] in tabernaculo tuo. | Rom. B. | S.Y. |
| | p.s. | Dñe quis habitabit? | | S.Y. |
| | an. | Caro mea reqūies cet in spe. | | S.Y. |
| | p s. | Conserva. | | S.Y. |
| | V. | In pace in idipoum. | Rom. B. | S.Y. |
| | lc'j. | Ursus insidians SAMECH. | Lam. iii., 10, 11. | |
| | | factus, michi leo——— | | |
| | | ———pharetre sue. | | |
| | R. | Sepulto Domino. | | S.Y. |
| | V. | Ne forte veniant. | | |
| | lc' ij. | Factus sum in derisum AJN. | | |
| | | omni populo meo. | | |
| | | ———Spes mea a dñō. | V a V before last Sentence. | |
| | R. | Jerusalem luge. | | Y. |
| | V. | Plangent eum. | | |
| | lc' iij. | Recordare paupertatis. | | |
| | | et transgressionis——— | | |
| | | ———fides tua. | | |
| | R. | Plange quasi virgo. | Rom. B. | Y. |
| fol. 4 b. | V. | Ullulate pastores (not Rom.) | | |
| | Ps. | Dñi est terra, | Rom. B. | S.Y. |
| | an. | Credo videre. | " " | |
| | p.s. | Dñs illuminatio mea. | " " | |
| | an. | Dñe abstraxasti | " " | |
| | p.s. | Exaltabo. | " " | |
| | V. | Tu autem dñē miserere. | | S. |
| | R. | Miserere (as Resp. in S). | | |
| | lc. iv. | Exacuerunt tanquam. | | |
| | | ———prevideatur. | | |
| | R. | Recessit pastor. | Rom. B. | Y. |
| | V. | Ante cujus (not Rom. or B.) | | |

NOTES ON FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

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| | lc.' v. | Sed quem †lacerent. | | |
| | | ———quod noliuntur. | | |
| | R. | O Vos omnes qui transitis. | Rom. B. | Y. |
| | V. | Attendite universi populi. | ,, ,, | |
| | lc,' vj. | Intenderunt arcum. | | |
| fol. 5. | | ———immaculatum. | | |
| | R. | Ecce quomodo. | Rom. B. | Y. |
| | V. | In pace factus locus ejus. | | Y. |
| | an. | Deus adjuva me. | Rom. B. | S.Y. |
| | p.s. | Deus in nomine. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | an. | In pace factus locus ejus. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | p.s. | Notus in Judœa. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | an. | Factus sum sicut homo. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | ꝑ.s. | Dñe ds salutis. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | V. | In pace factus. | ,, ,, | Y. |
| | 'lc.' vij. | Vespere autem sabbati. | | S.Y. |
| | | ———sepulchrum, et r'l. | | |
| | | Vigilias nobis. | | |
| | | ———excitari. | | |
| | R. | Estimatus sum (Rom. & Ben. after lc' viij.) | | Y. |
| | V. | Posuerunt me in lacu. | | |
| | lg' vij. | Nam sicut ait apto———§ | | |
| fol. 5 b. | | ———subisse patibulum. | | |
| | R. | Agnus Dei xpistus. | | |
| | V. | Xpistus factus. | | Y. |
| | lc.' ix. | Surrexit mane. | | |
| | | ———Sine fine fruantur. | | |
| | R. | Sicut ovis. | | Y. |
| | V. | Ipse autem vulneratus. | | |
| fol. 6. | In. laudibus. | an. O mors ero mors tua. | Rom. B. | S.Y. |
| | p.s. | Miserere. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |

† laterent (?) § 1st part of this l 8 is in S.d ccc.

NOTES ON FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

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| | an. | Plangent eum. | Rom. B. | Y. |
| | p.s. | Judica me ds° | ,, ,, | |
| | an. | Attendite universi. | ,, ,, | Y.* |
| | p.s. | Deus ds meus. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | an. | A porta inferi. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | p.s. | Ego dixi. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | an. | O. Vos omnes. | ,, ,, | Y.‡ |
| (Ad Ben.) | p.s. | Laudate. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | an. | Mulieres sedentes. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | | Benedictus. | ,, ,, | S.Y. |
| | | Kirriel iij. | | S.Y. |
| | | Et post communicetur sacerdos. | Rom. B. | S.Y.† |
| | | deinde incipiat alleluia. Et chorus. | ,, ,, | |
| | p.s. | Laudate dn̄m omnes gentes. | ,, ,, | |
| | | Gloria patri. | ,, ,, | |
| | | Item sacerdos, Vespere autem. | ,, ,, | |
| | | Corus. Magnificat. | ,, ,, | |
| | | Quo finito cum antiphona. | ,, ,, | |
| | | vertat se sacerdos ad populum. | ,, ,, | |
| | | dicens, Dn̄s vobiscum. Et sic. | ,, ,, | |
| | | finiat missam et vesperas. | | |
| | | omnino post communionem. | | |
| | | Alleluia (without music). | | |
| | p.s. | Laudate dominum. | | |
| | V. | Quoniam confirmata. | | |
| | | Alleluia (without music) Gloria patri. | | |
| (oratis.) | | Vespere autem. | | |
| | | Spiritum nobis dn̄e——— | Rom. Ben. | Y§ |
| | | ——— in unitate. | | |
| | | Ite missa est. | ,, ,, | |
| | | Alleluia (with music). | | |
| | | Surrexit dominus vere venite. | ,, ,, | |
| | | adoremus. alleluia. | ,, ,, | |

° As in Brev. Rom. & Ben. * 1st an. in S. ‡ 2nd an. in S.
† More like Y. than S. § S. mentions response, etc.

NOTES ON FRAGMENTS OF CHESWARDINE BREVIARY—continued.

| | | | | |
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| | p.s. | Venite. | " " | S.Y. |
| | a.n. | Ego sum qui sum——alleluia. | " " | |
| | p.s | °Beatus vir. | " " | |
| | an. | Postulavi patrem——alleluia. | " | |
| | p.s. | Quare fremuerunt. | " " | |
| | a.n. | Ego dormivi———alleluia. | " | |
| | p.s. | Dñe quid multiplicati. | " | |
| fol, 6 b. | V. | Resurrexit dns. | " " | |
| | (lc.'j) | In illo tempore Maria Magdalene. | " | S.Y |
| | | ———cum aromatibus venimus. | " | S.* |
| | R. | Angelus dñi Descendit. | Rom. B. | S.Y. |
| | V. | Angelus dñi locutus (not Rom.) | | |
| | lc.'ij. | Ille autem mulieres. | Rom. | S‡ |
| | | ———amplexabitur me. | " | |
| | R. | Angelus dne locutus. | | S.Y. |
| | V. | Ecce precedet nos in galileam. | | Y. |

° In Beni Ps. 1, 2, 8, 15, 23, 22, all under one antiphon.
* Y has a different homily of S. Gregory.
‡ Second half of 2d., and first half of 3d. lc. Y. quite different.

## APPENDIX D.

Extracted from the Registry of the Bishop of Lichfield & Coventry.

Stamp, 5/- A TERRIER of ye Vicaridge house & Gleabe land & other Proffitts belonging to ye Vicar & Vicaridge of Cheswardine given in according to our Articles upon ye 14 of July in ye year 1722.

Imp. The Vicarage house containing of about four bayes of building wth. a hen-house & a Hogg-Stie & an house of office the Barn 3 Bayes & a Turf house joyned to ye Barnside ye Beasthouse & the Stable 2 Bays & a Cart-house; ye backside Garden & Orchard & Fold containing about one acre of Land, one Inclosure called ye Poolhead

adjoining on ye Southend to John Suttons Longhought: on ye East side to the Water Lands; on ye West side to Mr. Francis Butter, on ye North side to the Poolhead Meadow containing about 3 acres of land, 3 little Inclosures called ye Castle Croft ye South end adjoining to ye Castle—Pitt ye Northend & Estside adjoining to Mr. John Butters new piece & ye west side to Mr John Butters, Jon. Sutton, & Mr William Jerviss Picklin, Mr Francis Butters Meadow & Mr John Butters Malthouse yard wth. a Little house a Turfe-house & an house of office standing in ye middlemost Croft wherein Timothy Orpe Clark doth now dwell containing about two acres of land Five butt-ends enclosed upon ye Stoney furlong adjoining on ye sides estward to John Bookley westward to Henry Earp Northward to Mr Fra. Butter and Southward to Mr John Butter containing about one acre and a half of Land; one piece called the Green-goure bounded on ye east side to Mr William Jerviss, on ye west side to Thomas Smallwood, South side to Edward Suker & north side to John Sutton containing about 3 Acres and an half of Land, ye Peece Called ye Snape-Croft bounded on ye west end to William Forgham, south side to Mr John Butter est-end to ye Marsh-Lane & ye north-side Chipnall Churchway containing about two Acres of Land, ye Marsh-Peece bounded by ye Marsh on ye south-west end, on ye southside to Mr Henry Jervise, on ye North side to Newport Road, on ye est end to ye Cliftons-oak containing about eaight Acres of Land at ye Hill Cross two Butts and one But end lieing between ye roads now enclosed wth. Francis Spender of Cheswardine & Ralph Spender of Chipall containing about one half an acre of Land twenty six pearches of Land enclosed in Jon. Spenders Shellbridg valued at one Shilling per annum four pearches enclosed in Thomas Smallwoods—ham pool at ten pence per ann. Mr Henry Jerviss eaight pearches lyeing in his Birch-Furlong valued at four pence per annum, in the year 1720 then enclosed and taken out of the Hay-wood-Common a Peece of Land containing seven acres, & twenty perches, and laid to the Vicarage for Gleabe & bound ye North est end to Drayton road, ye South side to Jon. Madley & to Goulstone Heath road down to ye Brooke, ye south end joyns ye Brook & ye west side bounds to Mr Francis Butter) Free Common of two half days digging of Turbery upon Lipley Heath belongs to ye Vicarage) Tyth Wool & Lamb ye Vicar hath one at seaven & another at seventeen in case they are but seven either lamb or Fleece ye Vicar must alow a half peny apeece to ten wch. is three half pence, if eight two, if nine one half-peny & if either Lamb

Wool & Lamb

or Fleece be under seven then ye Vicar is to be alowed a half-penney a peece for each Fleece or Lamb. PIGGS & GEESE ye Vicar hath one at seaven but no allowance either way for any other number, Tyth hemp, Flax, Apples & *Pairs* all in kind throughout ye whole parish, Eggs two for a hen & one for a Pullet, & two for each duck. Offerings at Easter two pence apeece a Man & his Wife being householders two pence apeece for every Servant above sixteene years of age & a half peny apeece for children above sixteene years old yt. live unmarried wth. their parents & receive no wages, House Dutyes for house Offerings two pence half peny throughout ye parish to be pd. ye Vicar at Easter, Every Colt a penny every Hive of Bees kil'd or sould one penny, every barren Cow a penny, every Cow & Calf a penny halfpenny, Customery Tyths pd. yearly at Easter, Chipnall Mills four shillings Wescot Mills one shilling, Ellerton Mills two shillings, Sambrook Mills one Shilling.

Piggs & Geese

Apples & Eggs

## PRESCRIPTIONS.

Herbage Tyth-hay

Mr Richard Townsend pays sixpence a year to ye Vicar at Easter, Mr Higgins pays or his Tennants at Knighton pay one shilling per anum to ye Vicar of Cheswardine at Lammas Likewise there is one shilling in ye pound for every one yt. lives out of ye parish yt holds ground in ye parish of Cheswardine due to ye Vicar for herbage. Tyth Hay ye townships of Cheswardine all pay tyth hay or tyth grass in kind except such as are here in excepted, Mr John Butter for his Wescot Meadow ye Major part pays as a Modus three shillings per Ann. due at Augt. & ye rest of ye Meadow pays in kind. Mr Spendowe & Christopher Mullenex of Little Sowdley pay each of them a modus of fourpence per ann., Lawrence Boydon of ye Wescoate pays modus for Hay three shillings per ann. Mr. John Butter for ye elm meadow pays Modus two shillings per Ann. Richard Eatnall one Shilg. as a Modus per annum Chipnall Township Mr Withering pays as a Modus for hay four shillings per ann. Mr Henry Jerviss for the Hill living as a Modus ten pence, & for Hay Grass & on ye Bye-land Modus six shillings per annum & for ye Hall in Chipnall Modus two shillings per Ann and pays to ye patron for six days maths of hay taken from ye Vicar Modus twelfe shill per ann. Richd. Dean pays Modus one shill eight pence per ann. Christopher Mullenex pays Modus one shill. six pence per annum Ralph Spendr. pays Modus three shillings per annum Jon. Earp pays modus eight pence per annum Mr Witherings pays for Turners Overhouse Modus two pence per ann.

Modus.

Turners Lowerhouse Modus six pence per Ann, Edward Evans pays modus *too* pence, Mrs. Banister modus fourpence per ann, William Butter pays modus three shillings per Ann, Jonn. Shaw pays modus for his house four pence per ann, for half ye Lords Meadow one Shilling per ann, Richard Buttertons pays Modus for his Land four pence, John Goodale pays Modus one shilling, eight pence per Ann, & for half ye Ld. Meadow one shill: per ann, Ralph Turner pays Modus one shilling eight pence per ann, John Roden pays Modus one shilling, John Butterton payes Modus sixpence per ann, Ann Reynolds pays Modus two shillings per ann; Chipnall Mill Meadow pays Modus four shillings per ann, Mr Jerviss for Broadhurst house pays foure pence per Ann.

Goulson Tyth Hay

Tyth Hay Mr Edward Gouldston pays ten shill. per ann, Jonathan Broadhurst either Custom ten Shillings per Ann, or a load of Hay out of his Moor Meadow well made into hay & carried into ye Vicars Barn in Cheswardine in good order, Ralph Frith pays Modus one shill. eight pence per ann, Henry Meeson pays Modus six pence per Ann, Mr Edward Pegg pays Modus four pence per ann, Tho: Mullenex Composition three pence.

Ellerton Modus for Hay

Mrs Talbot for a Meadow lying in ye Township of Cheswardin used to Eallerton hall modus six shilling 8 pence per ann Mrs Talbott for ye Hall pays for Hay and hay grass *pays* a Modus of three shilling four pence per Ann, Wid. Yale pays six pence Modus, Ursila Mathews pays two pence Modus per ann.

Sambrook Modus hay

Mr Adams pay one shilling six pence Modus per ann, Mr William Sambrook pay Modus four pence per ann, Griffith Spender of ye hall pays Modus four pence halfpenny per Ann, William Butter & his ould Tennants & for his ould Land pays Modus three pence per ann, Griffith Spendor for Boldshouse for a Modus pays one penny & for ye Heath House six pence per annum John Bookley pays Modus three pence per ann.

Sowdley Modus Hay

Joseph Cooke pays for his own living modus one halfpenny & for Lucas Land one half penny per Ann, William Yardley pays Modus two pence per ann, Nicholas Edwards for Corfields House Modus halfpenny, Wid: Vaughan a half penny, Eaton's house pays a half-penny Modus per Ann, Princes House a halfpenny, Wid: Cook a halfpenny Robert Ward pays a Modus one penny halfpenny per ann, Walter Garmson halfpenny, Griffith Spender Senr. pay one

penny Modus per ann, Griffith Spender Junr. pays Modus one penny per Ann. John Bookley for Church Land pays Modus one penny per Ann. Rach. Ward pay Modus a half-penny. John Garmson & Jon. Bookley pay Modus jointly three pence per Ann.

**Mortuarys** Mortuaryes Due to ye Vicar at the Death of house-holders. If any householder dye posest of ye Value of three hundred pounds of Free Estate or any sum between that & forty pounds pay ten shillings to ye Vicar & if it be thirty pounds or upwards pay six shillings 8d, If Twenty Nobles & under twenty Marks pays to ye Vicar three shillings 4 pence.

Surplice Fees in Cheswardine Parish.

Weddings published in ye Church 3 times one shilling and for a certificat six pence & for Marringe one shilling two pence. The Register four pence belonging to the Vicar & for marring a Cupple wth. a Licence five shillings, for Churching of a woman four pence and for burying a Corps 4d—Note That if a woman live in the parish ye fees are due to ye Vicar & Clark tho'she be married elsewhere.

Customery fees due to ye Clarke.

The Clarke hath no sett or Standing Wages belonging to him but only thirteen shillings & 4d for looking to ye Clock. Likewise ye Clarke hath four pence for every plough land throughout the whole parish and for every cottage he hath two pence throughout ye old parish paid añn. at Easter—Note. He gathers likewise at a Crismass an antient customery payment of severall persons called Keech money some more some less whereby he is obliged to clean their seats and dress em against a good time.

**Eggs** Their is likwise paid by Antient Custom to ye Clarke at Easter two Eggs for every Cock & for every Drake two throughout the whole parish, At ye churching of a woman he hath 2d or 2 White loaves.

**Wedding** The Clarks Wages for a wedding asked in ye Church is 4d & and as much more as he can gett but a Lycence more.

**Burying.** For a Burying the Clarke hath foure pence for a Grave in ye Churchyard, and fourpence for his Office, and in ye Church or Chancell for a Grave he hath twelve pence—12d.

As Wittness our hands ye day & year above writen

Samll Orpe Vicar.

Richard Deane )
Humphrey Palmer ) Churchwardens.

Examined with the Original Terrier with which the same agrees this 16th day of July 1816 by me

Wm. Mott,
N. P. D. Reg.

## CHETTON.

*(The Rectories of Deuxhill and Glazeley are united to the Rectory of Chetton.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a drawer in the Clerk's House, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Financial Statements.
Book of Appointments of Overseers.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

(1) General Register, 1538—1724. The following are copies of extracts made from this Register, viz:—

"*1648* Feb 27th were buryed two still borne bastard children "of Thomas Tench & of Mary Watkins (alias Mary of ye "Stockin)"

"*1650* November 13th was baptised Jane the daughter of "Andrew Woodall and of Jane his wife wanderers."

"*1658* Delivered to Mr. Andrew Lawley of the yish of High "Ercall one pound one shilling & eight pence collected at "Chetton towards the rebuilding of High Ercall Church. "The said Mr. Lawley having shewed his authority to rec. the "said money under the hands and seals of the Minister of "High Ercall and the Churchwardens."

(2) General Register, 1634—to *(apparently)* 1714—endorsed "A "Register Booke for Deuxhill and Glazeley containing all the Weddings, "Burialls & Christenings within Deuxhill & Glazeley beginning Anno "Domini 1634."

*(NOTE.—This Register is very undecipherable.)*

(3) General Register, 1724—1750 *(bound up with Register No. 1).*

(4) Register of Burials in Woollen, 1678—1724 *(bound up with Registers Nos. 1 and 3)* headed "This Register contains * * * * "ye Parish of Chetton & was begun in ye year of or. Lord 1678 according "to an Act of Parliament for Burying in Woollen wch. Act commenced "from ye first day of August in ye said year 1678."

(5) General Register, 1750—1754, then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1796.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1797—1812. |
| " | Baptisms | 1813—1886. |
| " | " | 1886—in use. |
| " | Marriages | 1754—1807. |
| " | " | 1808—1813. |
| " | " | 1813—1855. |
| " | " | 1837—in use. |
| " | Burials | 1813— do. |

A Document on three skins executed by 62 persons and endorsed as follows, viz:—

"Chetton, Glazeley, Deuxhill & Middleton Scriven
"Articles of Association for the prosecution of Felons
"Dated 8th May 1819"

*(NOTE—A copy of this Document is given below.)*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 29th November, 1843, *kept at the Rectory.*

ARTICLES of AGREEMENT made indented and fully agreed upon this eight day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and nineteen. BETWEEN the several persons whose hands and Seals are hereunder subscribed and set as follows

WHEREAS divers Burglaries Robberies and other Felonies Trespasses and Misdemeanours have been committed in the parishes of Chetton, Glazeley, Deuxhill and Middleton Scriven in the County of Salop by Persons who

have frequently escaped punishment by reason of the great trouble and expense of apprehending and prosecuting them to conviction . NOW THEREFORE THESE PRESENTS WITNESS that the several persons whose hands and Seals are hereunder subscribed and set being sensible of the great injury sustained by Society through a neglect of the due execution of the Laws in force against such offenders do hereby for themselves severally and respectively and for their several and respective Heirs Executors and administrators covenant promise and agree with and to each and every other of them and with and to the executors and administrators of each and every other of them That they the same several and respective persons shall and will form themselves into a Society or association for the Detection and prosecution of all and every persons and person who shall commit or attempt to commit any Felony Public Tresspass or Misdemeanour on or against their or any of their persons or Property (such Person being an inhabitant of and rated to, or such property being in and the owner thereof rated to the Poor of the said Parishes of Chetton, Glazeley, Deuxhill and Middleton Scriven or some or one of them) or on or against the Person or Property of their or any of their Servants Labourers or Workmen (provided such Servants Labourers or Workmen shall at the time when such Felony Tresspass or misdemeanour was committed or attempted to be committed be resident within some or one of the same parishes) AND THAT EACH and every of them the same several and respective persons shall and will well and truly abide by perform pay, fulfil and keep all and singular the Articles Payments Conditions Rules Orders and Regulations hereinafter particularly mentioned and contained, that is to say

First

That when any such Burglary Robbery or other Felony Tresspass or Misdemeanour as aforesaid shall be committed or attempted to be committed in the Dwellinghouse or Outbuildings or on any of the Horses Cattle Goods Property or effects of or belonging to any one or more of the said parties hereto, or in the Dwellinghouse or Outbuildings or on any of the Horses Cattle Goods Property or Effects of any such Servant Labourer or Workman as aforesaid or on the person or persons of any of the said parties hereto or of any such Servant Labourer or Workman as aforesaid the person or Persons on whom or on whose Property such Felony Trespass or Misdemeanour was committed or attempted to be committed shall with all convenient Speed give and leave at or send verbal notice

thereof (together with the best description of any Horse Beast or Goods which may have been stolen and of any suspected offender or offenders which he she or they can give) to the dwellinghouse of the then Treasurer of this Society or of such one of the members for the time being constituting the Committee for transacting the ordinary business thereof as to him her or them shall seem meet who shall thereupon by such means as he shall think most expedient also cause notice thereof to be given to every other Member of the Society.

**Second** That for the purpose of enabling every Member of this Society to comply as fully as possible with the terms of the Article hereinbefore contained each of the said parties hereto shall keep by him or her in Writing the Heighth Marks, Color and other Description of his or her horse or horses.

**Third** That each of the said Parties hereto who is particularly named in the Article next hereinafter contained shall within two hours after having received such notice as aforesaid (in case he or she shall be thereunto required by the said Treasurer or Member of the Committee) either go or send one able and sufficient person on horseback for the space of twenty miles from his or her dwelling in search of the offender or offenders, And in each of their respective Routes shall make all possible enquiries in order to discover such offender or offenders, the expense of which Pursuits for the said space of twenty miles of each of the respective Routes hereinafter mentioned shall be borne by such Members respectively out of their own pockets.

**Fourth** That for the better and more expeditious pursuing and apprehending any such offender or offenders the several persons parties hereto whose names are hereinafter particularly mentioned shall in the Pursuit hereby directed to be made go or take the several Routes hereinafter allotted to them respectively, that is to say, William Purton, Esquire the Road leading to Ludlow, Mr George Dallewy the Road leading to Church Stretton Mr Richard Edwards the Road leading through Wenlock to Shrewsbury, Messrs Kite and Turner the Road leading to Wellington Mr Francis Goodwin the Road leading to Newport Mr John Reece the Roads leading through Kinlet Coalbrookdale and Broseley to Shrewsbury Mr Thomas Edmunds the Road leading through Wolverhampton to Bilston, Mr Joseph Wilson the Road leading to Brewood and Cannock,

Mr Thomas Farmer the road leading to Tenbury and Leominster Mr Thomas Stanyer the Road leading to Bewdley and Worcester, Mr Thomas Page of Faintree the Road leading to the Craven Arms and Bishop's Castle, Mr William Glover the Road leading through Mortimer Cleobury to Ludlow, The Reverend William Vickers the Road leading to Stourbridge and Brierley Hill, Mrs Ann Giles the road leading to Hales Owen, Mr Richard Dallow the road leading to Pensox and Bromyard Mr George aū Minshall through Dudley and West Bromwich to Birmingham and Mr William Reynolds the Road leading through Kinver towards Bromsgrove.

**Fifth** That such of the said parties who in such their respective Routes shall happen to overtake or discover any such offender or offenders shall use his or her utmost Endeavors by hiring Assistance or otherwise to apprehend or cause to be apprehended the person or persons so suspected and deliver him her or them to the constable or other proper officer of the parish or place where such person or persons shall be so apprehended and shall attend on and assist the said Constable or other proper Officer in taking such suspected Person or Persons before some or one of his Majestys Justices of the Peace in order that he she or they may be dealt with according to Law and shall immediately afterwards return home and within twelve hours after his or her Return either give or send notice to each of the other Members of this Society that the offender or offenders was or were apprehended and dealt with according to Law as aforesaid.

**Sixth** That such of the said parties hereto who in their respective Routes shall not overtake or on Enquiry discover or gain any Intelligence of any offender or offenders within the said space of twenty miles shall then return home, but such of the said parties who in such his her or their said pursuit shall receive any Intelligence of any suspected person or persons shall continue to pursue and endeavour to apprehend such suspected person or persons as long as any such Intelligence can be obtained.

**Seventh** That each of the said parties who upon having such notice as aforesaid shall go in search of and pursue or cause to be pursued any such offender or offenders as aforesaid further than the distance of twenty miles from his or her Dwelling or shall within the said Space of Twenty miles gain any Intelligence of and apprehend or cause to be

apprehended or be put to any extraordinary expense in endeavouring to apprehend such offender or offenders shall make out an Account of the charges and Expenses which he or she shall have been thereby put unto, over and above what would have been necessarily incurred in a pursuit of twenty miles and shall deliver the same together with a written certificate or Voucher under the hand of some credible person resident at the Town Village Hamlet or place near to the extremity of such pursuit of his having been there to the Treasurer for the time being who shall cause the said Account to be entered in a Book to be provided and kept by him for that purpose in which book shall be also entered all the receipts and payments of the said Treasurer together with any Bye-Laws Resolutions and further agreements which may at any time hereafter be framed as hereinafter is mentioned for the Government of this Society.

Eighth

That such of the said parties hereto who shall not under the terms of the fourth Article hereinbefore contained or be required to make such pursuit as hereinbefore is mentioned shall nevertheless immedately after having received such notice as aforesaid from the said Treasurer or member of the Committee use his her or their utmost endeavours to apprehend and secure the offender or offenders. And that whenever any such Felony Trespass or Misdemeanour as hereinbefore is mentioned shall be committed or attempted to be committed for the discovery whereof the said Treasurer or Member of the Committee shall not think it necessary to require any of the said Parties who are particularly named in the said fifth Article to make such pursuit each and every of the parties hereto shall by such means as he or she shall judge most expedient also use his or her utmost Endeavors to apprehend and secure the offender or offenders in order that he she or they may be dealt with according to Law as aforesaid.

Ninth

That in case any offender or offenders shall be discovered and apprehended he she or they shall in due time be prosecuted and if possible convicted and all the charges and expenses paid or occasioned by the pursuing, apprehending and prosecuting such offender or offenders (except such part thereof as it is hereby agreed shall be borne by the several persons who are particularly named in the said fourth Article) shall be made out kept and duly entered by the Treasurer for the time being in the aforesaid book which shall be inspected and settled by a majority

of the Members of this Society present at the Meeting which shall be held next after the trial and Conviction or Acquittal of the Person or Persons so apprehended as aforesaid and the whole amount thereof shall be borne by the said parties hereto and be from time to time when and as often as occasion shall require levied and collected by the said Treasurer or such Person or Persons as he shall appoint by a Rate to be made by him on the said parties towards which each of them shall pay or contribute in the following Shares or Proportions, that is to say, Mr Joseph Wilson shall pay and contribute towards each and every such Rate the sum of seventeen shillings and tenpence halfpenny, The Reverend William Vicars nine shillings and three pence, William Purton, Esquire eight shillings and three halfpence, Mr George Minshall eight shillings, Mr Thomas Edmunds six shillings and tenpence halfpenny Mr George Dallewy five shillings and four pence halfpenny, Messrs Kite and Turner five shillings and three pence, Mr Richard Edwards five shillings and threepence, Mr Thomas Farmer and Mrs Ann Giles four shillings and three half pence each, Mr William Glover and Mr Francis Goodwin three shillings and three half pence each, Mr John Reece two shillings and nine pence, Mr Thomas Page of Faintree two shillings and four pence half penny, Mr William Reynolds two shillings and three half pence, Mr William Wood One shilling and three half pence, Mr Richard Dallow nine pence, Mr Thomas Stonyer six pence, Hugh Pedley and William Page four pence halfpenny each, the Trustee of the estate late belonging to Ralph Browne Wylde Browne Esquire deceased and Richard Jenkins the sum of three pence each, and Thomas Oliver, Griffen Lloyd, Thomas Page of Chetton, William Haines, Edward Perry, Thomas Palmer, John Wheeler, Joseph Wheeler, George Perry, John Lorry Thomas Jordan, Timothy Rudd, Thomas Williams and William Porter the sum of three half pence each, and every such rate shall be collected and the Bills as settled by the majority of the said parties at their then last meeting shall be by the said Treasurer paid to the persons to whom they shall be respectively due within one month from the time of the meeting at which they were so settled, And the Treasurer for the time being shall be allowed five shilings for collecting each Rate which shall be wanted for the purposes of this Society.

Tenth That nothing herein contained shall extend to protect the Persons of any of the Members of this Society longer then he or she shall dwell within and be rated to the poor

of the said Parishes of Chetton, Glazeley Deuxhill and Middleton Scriven or some or one of them or to protect the Property of them or any of them within the same parishes after he she or they shall cease to pay Poor Rates therein in respect thereof as aforesaid nor shall the Persons or Property of any such Servant Labourer or workman as aforesaid be protected by these articles after he or she shall have been dismissed from the employ of any Member of this Society or shall cease to reside within some or one of the said Parishes.

**Eleventh** That no Business or Excuse (unless the same shall be considered satisfactory by a majority of the Members present at the then next Meeting of this Society) shall at any time prevent any of the said parties hereto from complying with any notice which shall be given to him or her in pursuance of the Article hereinbefore in that behalf contained but any person so making default, shall forfiet and pay into the hands of the then Treasurer the sum of Ten pounds in aid of the funds of this Society.

**Twelfth** That Mr Joseph Wilson be and he is hereby elected Treasurer of this Society and the said William Purton, William Vicars, Richard Edwards, Thomas Farmer and George Minshall a Committee for transacting the ordinary Business thereof, and each of the said Parties hereto shall abide not only by these appointments but by all such Regulations as shall be made by them for the better ordering of the Society.

**Thirteenth** That the said Treasurer and Committee shall continue in office until the Monday after Easter now next ensuing on which day in each and every year shall be held a meeting of this Society at such time and place as the Treasurer thereof for the time being shall appoint. And such of the Members who shall refuse or neglect to attend any of the said Meetings shall (unless he can alledge any reason which shall by the majority of the Members present at the then next meeting of the Society be considered a sufficient excuse for his or her absence) forfeit and pay into the hands of the then Treasurer the sum of three shillings and six pence for the benefit of this Society And that at the said Annual Meeting the majority of the Members then present shall elect a Treasurer and Committee for the ensuing year and the Treasurer for the then preceding year shall produce his Accounts which on being allowed and signed by such majority shall be considered as settled and the

Balance thereof finally ascertained, And that if on the Balance thereof any monies shall remain in the hands of the Treasurer then going out of office the same shall be by him at the same meeting paid over to the succeeding Treasurer to whom as well the Books and Papers belonging to the Society as also these Articles shall be delivered up to be kept and produced at the Request of any of the said parties hereto at any meeting of the Society, And that if on the settling of the said Accounts there shall be a Balance due to the Treasurer whose office shall then expire, the Treasurer newly elected shall collect a Rate in the manner mentioned in the ninth Article, and out of the monies thereby collected reimburse his Predecessor the whole of the money by him advanced for the use of this Society and then unpaid within one Calendar Month from the time of such Meeting.

**Fourteenth** That the Treasurer for the time being upon giving four days notice in writing to each Member of this Society may appoint a special Meeting as often as he shall think necessary for the purposes of these Articles at which meeting every Member who shall not duly attend shall forfiet and pay into the hands of the then Treasurer the like sum of three shillings and six-pence for the benefit of the Society And that all orders and Resolutions whatsoever which shall be made and passed by a Majority of the Members present at any Annual or Special Meeting shall be entered in the aforesaid Book and being signed by the persons forming such Majority shall be as binding and conclusive on all the present and future members of this Society as if the same were herein inserted.

**Fifteenth** That the majority of the members present at any Annual or Special Meeting may order and appoint any sum or sums of money which they may think reasonable and proper to be paid by the Treasurer for the time being by way of Gratuity or Reward to any Person or Persons (not being a Member or Members of this Society) by whose information and assistance any offender or offenders shall be apprehended and convicted as aforesaid but no servant or other person who shall represent or go in the Stead of any Member of this Society in pursuit of any such offender or offenders nor any Constable or other Peace Officer shall be entitled to the said Rewards unless such Constable or other Peace Officer shall voluntarily without being called upon for that purpose discover and apprehend any such offender or offenders.

**Sixteenth** That if any Member of this Society on whose person or property or on the person or Property of whose Servant Labourer or Workman any Felony shall be committed or attempted to be committed shall become entitled to and be allowed by the Court any Costs for the Prosecution of any offender or offenders the same shall be paid to the Treasurer for the time being and become a part of the general Fund of this Society.

**Seventeenth** That the Treasurer for the time being shall immediately after any such Felony Trespass or Misdemeaour as aforesaid shall have been committted or attempted to be committed cause such advertisements and Handbills to be circulated for the Discovery thereof as he shall think proper.

**Eighteenth** That any Member shall be expelled from this Society who shall by the Votes of a Majority of the Members present at any Annual or special Meeting be judged an improper person to continue therein, and that if any member shall be desirous of withdrawing himself or herself therefrom he or she shall upon giving six Calendar months notice of such Desire in writing to the Treasurer for the time being previous to any Annual Meeting of the Society and upon paying off all Contributions and sums of money due from him or her up to the time of such Meeting and having previously performed all the Articles and Engagements herein contained and all other Regulations of the Society be discharged therefrom and no longer entitled to the Benefit or Protection thereof.

**Nineteenth** That if any person or persons shall after the day of the date hereof be desirous of becoming a Member or Members of this Society he she or they shall on signifying such desire to the Treasurer thereof for the time being be ballotted for by the Members present at the then next Meeting and in case the person or persons so ballotted for shall be approved by a Majority of the Votes of such Members he she or they shall on payment of the sum of ten shillings and sixpence to the said Treasurer for the Benefit of this Society be admitted a party to these presents on signing and sealing thereof, but it is hereby agreed that no such Payment shall be required from the Widow or other personal Representative of any deceased Member who on being approved by Ballot as aforesaid shall be admitted a party hereto without Payment of such Fine.

**Twentieth** That if any Dispute shall arise respecting any Article or Claim herein contained the same shall be referred to and settled by a Majority of the Members present at their then next Annual Meeting.

AND LASTLY each if the said parties hereto doth hereby consent and agree to confirm abide by and perform every part of these Articles and that the party or parties who shall by a Majority of the Members present at any Annual or Special Meeting be found to have neglected or refused to fulfil and perform every and any of the Articles or Conditions herein contained shall forfeit and pay into the hands of the then Treasurer such sum of money (not exceeding the sum of twenty pounds) as such majority shall think proper which Sum if not paid within one month after the same shall have been adjudged forfeited as aforesaid and having been demanded by the Treasurer for the time being shall be recovered in an Action of Debt against the Party or Parties so forfeiting in the name of the said Treasurer together with all such charges and expenses as shall be occasioned by suing for and recovering the same and such Forfeitures or Sums of money as shall at any time or times be forfeited recovered and received as aforesaid shall be paid to the said Treasurer and be applied by him in aid of the funds of this Society—IN WITNESS whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their Hands and Seals the day and year first before written.

*Here follow 62 signatures with seals.*

## CHETWYND.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Bank Book.
Book of Notices of Appointment of Overseers.
Contribution Order Book.
Miscellaneous papers.
Jenkins' "Law relating to Parish Council."

Large number of Rate Books from 1830, Receipts, &c., kept in a wooden box in the Clerk of the Parish Council's house.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1585—1659.
Do. 1653—1677.
Do. 1667—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1775.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1776—1808.
„ Births and Christenings, 1809—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1876.
„ „ 1876—in use.
„ Births, 1839—1856.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Banns, 1824—1871.
„ „ 1871—1896.

Vestry Meeting Minute Book, 1809—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1662—1720.
Do. 1819—1859.

Overseers' Account Book, 1663—1722.
Do. apparently from 1726 to 1765 *(Covers gone and book unsewn.)*
Do. 1769—1792.
Do. 1792—1815.

Book containing Valuation of Parish for Poor Rate purposes under 6 and 7 William IV., c. 96.

Various Documents relating to Church, &c. (including Faculties, Conveyances, Apprenticeship Indentures, Receipts, &c., &c., and Miscellaneous Papers).

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1837, *kept at the Rectory.*

## CHETWYND ASTON.

*(Chetwynd Aston is a civil parish only—for ecclesiastical purposes it is attached to Church Aston.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box at the Rectory, Church Aston, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Declaration Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Bank Book.

# CHILD'S ERCALL (or ERCALL PARVA).

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book (used also as a Declaration Book), 1894—in use.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Financial Statements.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Documents are kept in an iron safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1569—1679; *also containing Overseers' Accounts and entries of amounts collected on Briefs (very mutilated and partly undecipherable).*

General Register, 1728—1755—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1874. |
| ,, | ,, | 1875—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1813. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

*The following Documents are kept in a deed box at the Vicarage, viz:—*

Vestry Minute Book, 1835—1878.
Do. 1878—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1701—1732.
Do. 1733—1795; containing also entries of Vestry Minutes, &c.

Faculty for alterations in Church, dated 1823.

Terrier, dated 9th September, 1841.
Do. do. 13th August, 1845.

Copy Terrier, dated 11th August, 1828.
Do. do. 4th August, 1857.

Articles of Association—*apparently of several parishes*—of a Workhouse, &c., dated 1735. *(NOTE.—Very mutilated.)*

Banns Book, 1823—1889.

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, kept at Mr. Corbet's Estate Office. *(Mr. Corbet is the owner of the Tithe.)*

# CHIRBURY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a cupboard in the schoolroom. *(NOTE.—For this privilege the Parish Council pay 6d. a year to the school Managers),* viz:—

Treasurer's Bond.
Ordnance Survey of Parish—25-inch scale— 18 Maps.
Miscellaneous papers.

*The following are kept at the Clerk's house, viz:—*

Inclosure Award, dated 25th July, 1873, of Weston Hill and Rudge Hill in the township of Priest Weston and parish of Chirbury, to which are attached the following Maps, dated 16th October, 1872, viz:—

I. Crankwell, Winsbury, and Roundhill, with other lands.
II. Dudston, Moat and Timberth Farms, with other tenements.
III. Chirbury East and West Farms, with Spout House tenement and part of Chirbury Hall Farm.
IV. Chirbury Village and land near thereto.
V. Chirbury Hall and Walcot Farms, with part of Hockleton.
VI. Remainder of Hockleton, with Walk Mill, Bank, and Heightley Farms, with other tenements adjoining.

Maps of following Townships, viz:—
Marton.
Marrington.
Priest Weston.
Rorrington, dated 1829.
Wotherton, dated 1829.

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.

*The following Report taken from the Parish Council Minute Book explains itself, viz:—*

"REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE appointed to
"REVIEW THE PARISH DOCUMENTS.

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"TO THE CHAIRMAN OF CHIRBURY PARISH COUNCIL.

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"WE THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby inform you that we have "caused to be removed, the cupboard, wherein the Parish Documents "are to be kept in future, from the Vestry and placed in the lobby of

"the School it having been repaired with new locks etc. at the cost of "7/6 as per bill.

"We have thoroughly examined the papers contained therein and "find for the most part that they are utterly valueless being:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| "Indentures of Apprentices | dated | 1827—1840. |
| "Receipts for the Maintenance of Poor | " | 1831. |
| "Relief Lists | " | 1831—1848. |
| "Notices to Overseers | " | 1846—1862. |
| "Receipts of Subscriptions to Salop Infirmary | " | 1837—1843. |
| "Receipted bills letters etc. to the Church-"wardens | " | 1854—1870. |
| "Receipts from Deaf and Dumb School, "Liverpool | " | 1856—1862. |
| "Applications for relief from various houses of "industry and receipts thereof | " | 1840—1860. |
| "Examination papers for relief upon which "orders were made | " | 1850—1861. |
| "Assessment and rate papers | " | 1843. |
| "Balance sheets of Bishops Castle Highway "Board | " | 1864. |
| "Various Assessment and Rate Books "Relief do. "Bastardy do. "Vestry Minutes do. | " | 1811. 1868. |

"*these we have destroyed.*

"We also find that there are several maps of part of the parish, "viz:—

"I. Crankwell, Winsbury, Roundhills and Others.
"II. Dudston, Moat, Timberth Farms with their tenements.
"III. Chirbury East and West Farms with Spout house tenement
"IV. Chirbury Village and Lands near thereto.
"V. Chirbury Hall and Walcot Farms with part of Hockleton.
"VI. Remainder of Hockleton, Walk Mill, Bank and Heightley "Farms.
"VII. Ridge, Hagley and Kingswood Farms.
"Maps of Townships of Marton.
"Marrington.
"Rorrington 1829.
"Wotherton 1838.

"these we have replaced in the cupboard.

"Signed ( W. C. JONES,
( Ed. LANGFORD,
"Members of the Committee.

"*15th of April, 1895.*"

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1629—1751.
Do. 1752—1813.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—1851.
" " 1851—1900.
" " 1900—in use.
" Banns, 1789—1815.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1889.
" " 1890—in use.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1604—1783.
Do. do. 1771—in use (used also as a Vestry Minute Book from 1871).
Minute Book of Easter Vestry Meetings, &c., 1784—in use.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1838.

## CHURCH ASTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Attendance Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Bank Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1620—1732.
Do. 1732—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1802.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1802—1813.
" Baptisms, 1813—1843.
" " 1843—1871.
" " 1871—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.

Register of Burials, 1813—1872.
„ „ 1872—in use.

Miscellaneous papers.

Deed, dated 10th June, 1861, annexing Rent Charges in lieu of Tithes from the Rector of Edgmond, with the consent of the Lord Bishop of Lichfield, to the Perpetual Curate of the District Chapelry of Saint Andrew, Church Aston, and his successors.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Church Aston, dated 2nd December, 1840.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Chetwynd Aston, dated 22nd December, 1840.

## CHURCH PREEN.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Vicar, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar,** *who is also Rector of Hughley.*—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, Hughley, viz:—

General Register, at one end of the Book, from 1680 to 1730, and at the other end from 1695—1767 *(on parchment). (NOTE.—It will be noticed that the dates overlap.)*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1754—1813 *(on Paper).*
„ Banns and Marriages, 1758—1812 *(on Paper).*

*(NOTE.—These first three Registers are now bound up in one cover.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1813—1836.
„ „ 1837—in use.

*(NOTE.—The two latter Registers are kept in Mr. Sparrow's chest.)*

*(No Tithe Map and Award.)*

## CHURCH PULVERBATCH.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following Documents are kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Bank Pass Book.
Precept Book.
Overseers' Receipt and Payment Book, 1891—in use.

*The following Documents are kept in a box in the Belfry, viz:—*

Rate Book, 1829—1837.
Do. 1853—1855.

Various Do. from 1879 to 1899.

Overseers' Receipt and Payment Book, 1848—1863.
Do. 1863—1883.
Do. 1883—1891.

*(NOTE.—Rate books and other accounts are missing from 1705—1829; 1837—1853; 1855—1879.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Assistant Overseer:—**

Overseers' Current Books.

Valuation of Parish, dated 1884.

**Document in the custody of Mr. W. S. Woodcock,** whose father was Assistant Overseer of the Parish for many years:—

The original Valuation of the Parish of Eyton in 1835 for the Tithe Commutation.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a fire-proof safe built into the Rectory study wall, viz:—

General Register, 1542—1711.
Do. 1711—1782.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1783—1813.
" Baptisms, 1813—1873.
" " 1873—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1811.
" " 1813—1848.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1887.
" " 1887—in use.

Certificate of £400 2¾% stock in joint names of Rev. A Wright, Wm. Broxton, deceased, and Wm. Smith, Woodcote (who were churchwardens at the time the stock of *Margaret Perkins* charity was converted into 2¾%, 1884), *kept at the Salop Old Bank, Shrewsbury.*

*(N.B.—This Charity [left to Rector and Churchwardens] has been decided to be a parochial charity by the Charity Commissioners.)*

*The following are kept in the Rectory, viz:—*

Account of the Charity from 1855 to 1894, and Bankers' Pass Book.
Bundle of correspondence with Charity Commissioners and others.
Correspondence, etc., relating to Jandrell's and other lost charities.
Tithe Commutation Map *(in metal cylinder)* dated 1835.
Vestry Minute Book, from 1850—in use.

*The following are kept in an oak chest in the Belfry, viz:—*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bundle of 75 | papers as to settlements, | 1709—1817. |
| „ 27 | Bonds to parish | 1658—1783 |
| „ 54 | Indentures of Apprenticeship, | 1703—1825. |

Bundle of Certificates of foreign Settlements 1700 to 1713.

A bundle of miscellaneous documents as to Bastardy, Soldiers, &c.

Two Oaths as to Burials in Woollen, dated respectively 1680 and 1683.

*(N.B.—Many of the papers in this box were found to be extremely dilapidated and dirty. It seems clear that no books or documents of importance have been put into the chest since the beginning of this century.)*

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|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Churchwardens' and Overseers' | Account Book, | 1653—1672. |
| 2. | Do. | do. | 1671—1709. |
| 3. | Do. | do. | 1708—1743. |
| 4. | Do. | do. | 1708—1745. |

*Nos. 1 and 2 are very interesting Books and were kindly lent to us by Mr. R. de G. Benson, one of the members of the Parish Council. It was thought, after a careful inspection of the Books, that some of the contents would be of interest and the following extracts have, therefore, been taken therefrom, viz:—*

## ACCOUNT BOOK, 1653—1672:—

*The following "Notice of a Charity chargeth by Sir Wm. Owen on land at Church Stretton" is written on the first page of this Book, viz:—*

* Asterisks have been inserted in the place of words we have been unable to decipher.

"To all christian people to whom this present writeing shall "come I William Owen of Church Stretton in the Countie of Salop "send greeting whereof George Norton of Abbotts Leigh in the "Countie of Somerset Esq., by Indenture * * under his hand "& seale beareing date ye twenty first day of October last past "before the date of these presents did demise graunt set & let unto "mee ye sayd William Owen that messuage or tenemt. in Church Stretton "comonly called or knowne by ye name of Hayles House or tenemt. "And all those fower parcells of land had & used to & with the sayd "messuage or tenemt. comonly called & knowne by ye name of two * "* * ye street meadow & ye home close together with all ways "waters easemts * * * to or with ye same belonging or in any-"wise appertaining to have & to hold the same to me ye sayd "William Owen my executors administrators & assigns from ye sealing "& delivery of the same recited Indenture for * * * ye full end "& terme of fower score & nineteene yeares if David Jones of Church "Stretton aforesayd Joane his wife & William Jones sonne of ye sayd

" David Jones or any of them shall soe long live Att & for the yearly
" rent of ffive pounds of currant money of England payable at two feasts
" or termes in ye yeare in ye same recited Indenture specifyed as in &
" by ye same recited Indenture whereby if due relation bee had more
" playnely & at large it doth & may appear & whereas I ye sayd William
" Owen by Indenture of Lease under my hand & seal beareing date ye
" ffifteenth day of this instant moneth of November & yeare hereunder
" written Have demised graunted set & to ffarme letten unto ye sayd
" David Jones Joane his Wife & William Jones their sonne All ye sayd
" messuage tenemt. lands & premises to mee demised by ye sayd
" George Norton as aforesayd with their & every of their apptenacs.
" To have & to hold the same to ye sayd David Jones Joane his
" wife & William Jones their sonne from ye nyne & twentieth day
" of September last past before the date of the same last recited
" Indenture for & during ye full end & term of fower score &
" eighteen yeares if the sayd David Jones Joane his wife & William
" Jones their Sonne or any of them shall soe long live Yeelding &
" paying therefore yearly during the sayd terme determinable as afore-
" said to mee the sayd William Owen my Executors Administrators
" & assignes Tenne pounds of lawfull money of England at ye feast
" dayes of ye Annuntiacon. of ye blessed Virgine Mary & St. Michael
" ye Arch-angell by even and equall portions as in & by ye same last
" recited Indenture of Lease whereunto if due relation bee had
" more plainely & at large it doth & may appeare Now knowe
" yee that I ye sayd William Owen doth hereby expresse &
" declare & it is my true intent & meaneing That ye Rents issues &
" pfitts to mee my Executors Administrators & Assigns issuing
" & accruing out of ye same demised premises by virtue of ye said
" lease by me made to ye sayd David Jones Joane his Wife &
" William Jones their Sonne over & above ye Rents duties &
" paymts. due & payable upon or by virtue of ye sayd first recited
" lease unto ye sayd George Norton his heairs & assigns shalle *
" employed & bestowed in manner & forme following That is to
" say That thereout there shall bestowed by mee my Executors
" administrators & assigns on every Sunday or Lords day & on
" every ffive and twentith day of December comonly called ye feast
" day of the Nativitie of or. Saviour Jesus Christ & on every Passion
" day comonly Good ffryday & on every Ascention Day comonly called
" Holy Thursday yearely during ye continuance of ye same lease unto
" & among ye Poore of ye severall Parishes of Pontesbury Pulver-
" batch & Condover in ye sayd Countie of Salop Eighteene pence
" in bread, to witt six penny loaves of good & wholesome bread unto
" & among ye Poore of each of ye said Parishes And ye overplus of
" ye sayd Rents of Tenne pounds to bee to mee ye sayd William Owen
" my Executors Administrators & assigns to make good ye Rent
" duties & paymts due & payable upon or by * * * *
" of ye said lease to me made by ye sayd George Norton & other *

" gent. charges & expenses touching & concerning ye sayd Messuage
" * * * & premises. In witnesse whereof I ye sayd William
" Owen * * * unto put my hand & seal this twenty first day
" of November in the year of or. Lord One thousand six hundred &
" ffyftie & fower.
" Seald & delivered in presence of

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| " Robert Milward | " Edward Doody | This I acknowledge * |
| " Isacke Medlicott | " John Dowlett | * * * copy of |
| " John Jaundrell | " Richd. Davies | a Deede before * * |
| | " of Wrentnall | * * & delivered by |
| | | " me |
| | | " William Owen " |

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*The following is a copy of an entry on the 6th page, under date 1654, viz:—*

1654.

" It was agreed upon by Robert Milward Rector & Isaac
" Medlicot & Richard Peirs Churchwardens & ye rest of ye Parish,
" yt ye Churchwardens should be Overseers of ye Poore ye yeare follow-
" ing their Churchwardenship. Isaac Medlicot & Richard Peirs
" begining to follow this order for ye yeare 1654 & this so to continue
" yeare after yeare those yt are Churchwardens must be Overseers ye
" following yeare, to this order these names were subscribed: after
" they of Wilderton side have served as Wardens then both Wardens
" are to be choosen on ye other side of ye Parish till all have served.
—*Then follow the names (all in the same handwriting) of the Rector, two Churchwardens and 15 Parishioners.*

" Wee approve off this way being done by ye consent of ye Parish
" 30 Apr. 58.

" T. E. Mackworth
" Harcourt Leighton "

" The originall of this order is to be seene in an old booke
" belonging to ye Church. In wch booke is to be seene a true note of
" ye Church bookes & goods, wch are now for ye most part gonne
" & lost. A note of wat. bookes & goods are to be found this
" yeare 1654 you may hereafter see. Likewise in yt booke may be
" seene an excellent order agreed upon for ye suppressing of Cottages
" & ye hindering ye receiueing in of Inmates, to wch order divers
" parishoners subscribed as also William Owen."

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*The following are copies of other entries in this Book, viz:—*

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|---|---|
| 1655 | " Memorand. yt there was collected and gathered |
| John Jandrel | " in ye Church for & towards ye reliefe of poore |
| Tho. Latward | " Protestants under ye Duke of Savoy ye sume of foure- |
| wardens | " tee shillings paid into ye hands of Mr. Thomas |

"Mackwoots justice of peace according to ye instruc-
"tions annexed to ye Declaration of his highness ye
"Lord Protector I say gathered 0 14 0"

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Anno 1655 "Memorand. yt ye Comons. wth. in ye township of
"Cuthercot haueing on ye East ye Inlands belonging to
"Cuthercot on ye North ye port way on ye West Longmt
"& on ye South the Inland belonging to ye Sheepton
"Fielde haue been plowed & sowen & it was
"agreed upon betwixt Robt. Milward Clarke Minister of
"ye parish of Pulverbatch on ye one party & ye
"inhabitants of ye township of Cuthercot on ye other
"party yt there should be payed ye twentith Sheffe or
"one halfe of ye teith due to be payd, for due teith for
"three Cropps for & in consideration of their charges in
"stocking and tilling such Commons & ever after if yt
"Comon shall be tilled & any graine sowen there, the
"full teith is to be payed there were at ye Agreement

"Robt Milward Minister, John Taylor, John Jan-
"drell Isaac Medlicott Richard Evans Thomas Latwood."

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Anno 1655 "Likewise it is well known by men now liveing yt those
"Comons from the Port way to ye bound of ye parish
"from ye Blockes towards *(undecipherable)* Inlands hath
"beene plowed & as some say teith payd in Mr. Crosse his
"tyme."

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"Collected in ye Congregation May 23rd 1658, for ye releife of
"Mrs. Lewis wife to Mr Hugh Lewis Goldsmith in London and some-
"times an inhabitant in Shrewesbury where they were plundered ye
"sume of 3s. 1d."

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1660.

"Here ye poore lost ye 20. 6 penny Loaues of wholesome bread
"hitherto given ym. by mr. Millward."

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1661.

"The oath of a Churchwarden:—

"You shall duelie administer ye office of a Churchwarden for ye
"best benefit of ye Church & ye good governmt of ye parishoners,
"& take care espeacially yt ye Church be sufficiently repaired in
"buildings, as likewise well provided wth. ornamts. and preserve ye
"Church Goods, & Deliver them up together wth a just accompt at
"ye end of yor. office to ye next Churchwardens & parishoners."

"The Accompts made by Richard Bromloe & John Corbet of Wilderlee Church-wardens for ye year 1661.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Impi[a] paid Quarter money | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Item paid for Bread and Wine | 0 | 16 | 8 |
| Item spent at ye making of the Lewne | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Item paid for mending ye church | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Item spent at Ludlow and paid for or. Oaths | 0 | 13 | 10 |
| Item paid towards ye Kings armes | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Abated to Richard Davies in his Lewne | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Item spent wth. ye Linmor when we agreed for ye armes | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Item paid to ye last officers | 0 | 5 | 10 |
| Item spent at Shrewesbury by John Corbet at ye Quarter Sessions | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| Item paid for writing as occasion required | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Suma totalis | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| Receiued ye Lewne of | 4 | 7 | 2 |
| Due from us to ye parish | 0 | 1 | 10 |

John Corbett and Richard Bromley."

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*The following items have been extracted from some of the other Accounts, viz:—*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1653. | Item for an houre glasse | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| | Item to Thomas Cowper his Leaune wch. he stopped towards his former layings out when he was Warden | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| | Item William Hughes stopped his Leaune upon ye same account | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 1654. | It. paid for a tree | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| | It. paid for sawing | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| | Item paid to Rich. Smith for seting up a Diall, squareing a tree and loading timber | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| | It. Mr. Owens stopped his Lewne because he gaue a tree | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| 1655. | Paid unto Watkis for ale when ye great tree came home | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1657. | Giuen to one to write for us on all occasions | 0 | 1 | 6 |

## ACCOUNT BOOK, 1671—1709.

The Accounts of Isaac Medlicott and Rich. Pearse, Wardens, Anno Dom 1678.

The Accounts of Isaac Medlicott.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| At the visitation when I took my oath, fees & expences | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| When I took order about the church Heyment, fees & expences | 0 | 5 | 8 |
| Quarter money at the four Sessions | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Payd for the Rayles about the Communion table | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| for the carriage of them 2s., & for hinges 8d. | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| Spent when I bargained for the making of them, & when they were set up | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| ffor an order to remove Roger Bullock & his wife | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| My expences twice at Shrewsbury about Roger Bullock | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| ffor 5 quarts, & one pint of wine, & 4 loaves of bread at Christmass | 0 | 11 | 4 |
| ffor 4 quarts & halfe a pint of wine, & three loaves of bread at Easter | 0 | 8 | 9 |
| ffor a Book to put down the Burials in Woollen | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| To John Holland, & others that suffered Shipwrack | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| To two more por travellers that had endured great losses | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| ffor two fast Books | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| To the Apparitor for taking in the Transcript, & expences | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| At a Visitation at Bishops-Castle, fees & Expences | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| To Will Davies for a Mappe of the Church Heyment | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| ffor writing 2s, for washing the Surplice 1s | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Spent with the man that undertooke to cure Anne Gittin's Daughter | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| | £ | s. | d. |
| The Leawne of the 3 Townships recieved by me is | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| The Summe disbursted by me, is | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| So that the Parish is indebted to me | 0 | 15 | 11 |

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The Accounts of Richard Pearse.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| At the visitiation when I took my oath, fees & expences | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| At a visitation at Bishops Castle, fees and Expences | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| ffor a Warrant for Roger Bullock | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Quarter money at four Sessions | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| ffor 3 quarts of wine, & 3 loaves of bread at Easter | 0 | 6 | 10 |
| ffor washing the Surplice at Easter | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| To Elizabeth Price for 3 Matts about the Communion table | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| At a Visitation at Bishops Castle, fees & Expences abated of the Leawne 9d | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| The Summe of the Leawne recieved by me is | 2 | 4 | 10 |

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| The Summe disbursted by me, is | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| So that I am indebted to the Parish | 0 | 1 | 2 |

| | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|
| Soe yt Isack Meodlicott hath disbursed more then he hath received | 14 | 9 |
| Also John Jandrill pd. Isack Medlicott of remainder in his hands | 17 | 4 |

Soe yt that there remaineth from Isack Medlicott & Richard Pearse to make over to ye Parrish 2 shillings 7 pense.

*(NOTE.—John Jandrill was the Churchwarden who preceded Isaac Medlicott.)*

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The Accounts of Tho. Starre & Tho. Corbett as wardens of ye prish. of Puluerbratch Anno Dom'i 1683.

| | li. | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tho. Starrs disbursmts. | | | |
| Imp. At a visitation at Ludlow fees & expences | 0 | 4 | 10 |
| ffor bread & wine about midsomer | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| for a Declaration concerning ye late plot | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| for an hour glass 9d, spent at a meeting about ye poore 6d. | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| At ye assessing ye poore lewne 6d, collecting a Briefe 6d | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| expences when we went to see ye Pulpit Topp & ye cariage of it home | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| At a visitation at Ludlow nov. ye 7th fees & expences | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| to ye Ringers ye 5th of Nouember | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| when we went wth Dauies to Lybottwood & expences | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Expences in goeing to Condouer & Pitchford with) Witnesses ) | | | |
| 2 journeys and likewise a journey to Sallop concerning) Dauies ) | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| To Mr. Price his fee 5s expences at ye Sessions 4/8 | 0 | 9 | 8 |
| For a warrant to serue witnesses | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| for timber for ye pulpit back & doore | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| for workmanship 5s—9d for nayles & hinges 10d expences wth. ye workman 8d for my own labour a day & half 9d. | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| for a warrant of disturbance for 3 psons. | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Executing ye same warant & expences | 0 | 0 | 6 |

| | li. | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| to poore trauellors yt came out of Ireland | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| for Bread & Wine at Christmas | 0 | 6 | 3 |
| at ye asessing of or. lewne 6d for mending ye window 6d | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| for qrter. money 17s—8d spent in paying ye qrter. money 6d | 0 | 18 | 2 |
| to poore people yt had a loss by fire in yorkshire | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| for 6 quarts of wine at Easter 12s for 7 loaves of bread 7d | 0 | 12 | 7 |
| Expences when ye new officers were elected | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Spent at a monethly meeting at Condover | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| for parchment & taking in ye transcript | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| for makeing a presentment | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| for washing & mending ye surplice ye whole year | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| At ye last visitation fees & expences | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| for writeing ye whole year both sides | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| | 5 | 2 | 2 |

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| My whole disbursmts are | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| Recd. by Lewne | 4 | 4 | 10 |
| from ye old officers | 0 | 12 | 3 |
| Receiued in ye whole | 4 | 17 | 1 |
| Receiued from ye succeeding Officers | 0 | 5 | 1 |

Randolph Jandrells one of ye Wardens disbursmts for ye yeare 1688 are

| | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|
| At ye 1st visitation at Stretton for fees & Expences | 03 | 11 |
| For a book of Liberty of Conscieē | 01 | 00 |
| For Bread & Wine at Whitsontide | 03 | 00 |
| To young paine for taking a fox | 00 | 06 |
| For a Book of Thanksgiving for ye young prince | 01 | 00 |
| To a poor man wth. a pass | 01 | 00 |
| For mending ye Ch. mattock | 00 | 02 |
| To 2 Seamen yt were Shipwrackd | 01 | 00 |
| for an order to pray for ye prince | 00 | 06 |
| for writeing our presentmt. | 00 | 06 |
| To a Soldier yt came from Ireld. wth a pass | 00 | 03 |
| To ye Aparitor for a book of prayer | 00 | 06 |
| For quarter money | 05 | 04 ob. |

| | s. | d. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| For ringing ye 5 of November | 01 | 03 | |
| for washing ye Surpless | 01 | 00 | |
| For ye Communion at Ctmass | 04 | 03 | |
| For quarter money again | 05 | 04 | ob. |
| To a Sufferer by fire | 01 | 00 | |
| For mending ye desk hinge | 00 | 02 | |
| For ye Comunion at Easter | 08 | 01 | |
| For washing ye surpless and table Cloth | 01 | 06 | |
| For glaseing ye Ch. windows | 02 | 10 | |
| To Seamen yt had lost yr ship | 00 | 10 | |
| For writing & carrying in ye Transcript | 02 | 06 | |
| To ye Apparitor for books & papers | 02 | 00 | |
| For wringing ye Coronation day | 00 | 06 | |
| Pd to ye Apparitor for a book for ye fast | 01 | 00 | |
| Spent on ym yt went ye procession | 01 | 03 | |
| Spent another time | 01 | 00 | |
| For another book | 01 | 00 | |
| Pd to Wm Bowdlér ye ensuing Warden to make even Accounts | 9 | 0 | |

So yt his recepts & disbursmt are both even for the year 1688.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Receipts | 3 | 3 | 03 |
| Disbursmt | 3 | 3 | 03 |

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The disbursmts of John Jacks & Edward Clark Church Wardens for the year 1697 are as followeth.

John Jack's disbursmts.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Spent at our election | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| At ye first visitation | 0 | 5 | 11 |
| Spent on the bannerors | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| pd for 2 books | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| For a warrt & expences abt Glover's daughter | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| For bread & wine ye whole year | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| For 2 strike of Mault hopps Candles & tobacco | 0 | 9 | 7 |
| pd to quarterly paymts | 0 | 10 | 9 |
| Mending the dyoll | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Fees & expences of the 2d visitation | 0 | 6 | 8 |
| Attending the Sessions & spent upon Mr Crompton | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| For writing & putting in the transcript | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Pd making an end wth Mr Haynes | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| Casting the Church Lewn | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| repairs of the Church | 0 | 10 | 0 |

| | | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| — — — Dickin a fortnight | (NOTE.—Edge of page torn off.) | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| — — — Monthly meeting | | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| — — — Mattock | | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| — — — sbury | | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| expenses last visitation | | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| — — — passengers | | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| pd for writing ye yeare | | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| | disbursmts | 5 | 9 | 7 |
| | Lewne | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| | out of purse | 1 | 5 | 3 |

1701.

Agreed between ye parishioners at a parish meeting ye 25 day of July 1701 yt Tho. Ingle Senior shall have from this time forward 6 a week till Mich. next ensuing & from thence forward 9 ye week & yt George Harries shall have 3s 6d a quarter for his housroom washing & supping during pleasure

Tho Bayly curt.
John Corbett } ward.
John Shuker }
Tho. Taylor, Overseer
Rogr Hoddens
Edw. Sankey
John Holliock
Will Clark

Richard Clark
Hen. Canckey
Rob. Taylor
Will: Medlicott
Thos Jacks

*The following are interesting extracts from some of the other accounts, viz:—*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1672 Churchwardens | Pd for a bosse for the Minister to Kneele on | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| 1673 Churchwardens | Pd for the worke Donn by me at the Church being 17 days & a halfe at 18 pence the day | 01 | 06 | 00 |
| | paid for a whipe for the Clarke | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| 1674 Churchwardens | My expenses when the Certificate containing the names of those that pay noe hearth money was signed by two Justices of the Peace | 00 | 01 | 06 |

| | | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1679 Overseers | To myselfe yt was due of old | 4 | 8 |
| | pd to John Janderell moneys wch he disbursed more than his lewne when he was Overseer for ye poore | 0 19 | 0 |
| | for 6 burden or windings & dawbing ye wales | 0 3 | 0 |
| 1679 Churchwardens | To the Ringers on the 5t of November | 0 1 | 0 |
| | given to a decayed Widow who had been a Ministers Wife | 0 0 | 6 |
| 1683 Overseers | for a pair of Clogs for Pugh's boy | 0 0 | 4 |
| 1685 Churchwardens | Item given Richard Gittons for Hunting ye foxe | 00 02 | 00 |
| 1689 Churchwardens | Given to An Irish Minister | 00 03 | 00 |
| 1691 Churchwardens | Bannering | 00 2 | 6 |
| | Spent on ye Bannerors | 00 1 | 6 |
| 1692 Churchwardens | For Mault hopps & a qter of Tobacco for ye 5 of Novemb | 03 | 02 |
| | Spent going to disturb Lucy Evans | 00 | 02 |
| 1693 Churchwardens | Giuen to a woman to remoue out of ye parish | 00 01 | 00 |
| | Spent at twice to remoue her | 00 00 | 06 |
| | The gunpowder treason | 00 05 | 00 |
| 1694 Overseers | Spent going the bounds | 00 00 | 06 |
| 1694 Churchwardens | For a Crow for ye Church | 3 | 4 |
| 1697 Overseers | Pd. for Badges for the Poore | 0 0 | 8 |
| 1703 Churchwardens | Carrying Sarah Partridge to Salop | 0 1 | 0 |

*(NOTE.—This woman and another named Mary Partridge gave the parish a lot of trouble for a number of years and also put the parish to a great deal of expense.)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1703 Churchwardens | Waiting upon ye workmen & for digging and Spoyling ye ground | 0 3 | 0 |
| 1706 Churchwardens | A cock for the dyall | 1 | 0 |

# CLAVERLEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box in the Clerk of the Parish Council's office over Saddler's shop, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Draft Receipt and Payment Book.
Attendance Register.
Declaration Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Bank Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Rate Books.
Miscellaneous papers.

The Charity called "The Free School of Richard Dovey" founded by deed, dated 23rd August, 1659.

*(NOTE.—There are other Charities, but no deeds relating to them.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Documents &c., are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1568—1714.
Do. 1714—1736.
Do. 1737—1758.
Do. 1759—1773.
Register of Baptisms, and Burials, 1773—1799.
" " " 1799—1812.
" " 1813—1845.
" " 1846—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1774.
" " 1774—1795.
" " 1795—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1800—1861.
" Burials, 1813—1868.
" " 1868—in use.
Tithe Map, dated March 5th, 1842.
Terrier, or "Claverley Tithe Commutation," dated March 31st, 1842.

A great number of miscellaneous papers, including Apprenticeship Indentures, Bastardy Orders, &c., *kept in a chest in the Church.*

*The following Documents, &c., are kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—*

Committee Book (of Vestry) merging into a Select Vestry Minute Book, 1807—1827.

Overseers' Account Book, 1726—1753.
Do. 1801—1831.

Register of persons in parish liable to take Apprentices, 1773.

Book containing Accounts of Orders in Bastardy, 1823—1835.

Book containing list of persons liable to serve as Churchwardens and their appointment to that office, 1734—1793.

Book containing a copy of the Orders and Resolutions of the several Committees of the Parish of Claverley, 1771—1789.

Surveyor's Highway Account Book, also containing Minutes of the Committee of Management of the Highways, 1833—1837.

Surveyor's Highway Account Book, 1837—1838.

Constables' Account Book, 1825—1834.

*The following Court Rolls are kept in an oak chest in the Church, viz:*

Henry IV.—8 Sheets and several worthless fragments.

Richard II.—9 Sheets (several rather imperfect) and couple of fragments.

Richard II.—18 Sheets (few in bad state of preservation).

Henry V.—9 Sheets.

Henry VI.—24 Sheets and one fragment (some of the Sheets are rather imperfect).

Henry VI.—23 Sheets, all in very bad condition, many only fragments.

Henry VII.—A bundle of Rolls.

Henry VIII.—A large bundle of Rolls.

Edward VI. and Philip and Mary.—A small bundle of Rolls.

Elizabeth.—A large bundle of Rolls.

Reign unknown.—20 Sheets.

## CLEE ST. MARGARET.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a box at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1721—1755.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1758—1789.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1789—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1797. |
| „ | „ | 1797—1812. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1836. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1824— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Churchwardens' Accounts and Vestry Minute Book, 1756—in use.
Overseers' Account Book, 1849—1889.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1849.
Various papers.

## CLEETON ST. MARY.

*(Cleeton St. Mary is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1879, from the civil parishes of Bitterley, Cleobury Mortimer and Stottesdon.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a wooden chest at the Vicarage, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms, | 1878—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1880— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1881— do. |

## CLEOBURY MORTIMER.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk of the Council at his house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book, December, 1894, to June, 1900.
Do. *(not yet used).*
Receipt and Payment Book.
Banker's Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Book containing Forms of Appointment of Overseers.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Various Papers, Correspondence, &c.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1602—1637. *(NOTE.—This Register is contrary to the general rule, being written on paper. It is in tatters, but it is now kept in a tin case with a glass cover, &c., provided by Mrs. Baldwyn-Childe.)*

An Old Book, commencing in 1647—*very mutilated and difficult to decipher*—consisting of *(apparently)* entries as to payments of Tithe,

some entries of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials. The latest date we could find in the Book was 1686. *A careful perusal would probably show that it consists of portions of 2 or 3 books used for different purposes roughly bound or sewn together.*

General Register, 1648—1699.
Do. 1700—1753.
Do. 1754—1814.—*General Register for the earlier period and Register of Baptisms and Burials for the later period.*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1847. |
| ,, | ,, | 1848—in use |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823—1854. |
| ,, | ,, | 1854—1890. |
| ,, | ,, | 1891—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1873. |
| ,, | ,, | 1874—1895. *A few subsequent entries of Burials in Vaults. In 1895 a Cemetery, under a Burial Board, was provided.* |

Order Book, 1770—1799—containing Minutes of Meetings of Vestry called for ordering the Rates.

Vestry Minute Book, 1824—1836.
Do. 1844—in use.

Book (1770—1819) containing "Inventory of the goods, cattle, "and chattels, and also the stock at the Workhouse belonging to the "parish of Cleobury Mortimer." *(NOTE.—It also contains the names of the paupers then in the House and accounts of certain expenditure on provisions (apparently for the Workhouse.)*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1742—1814.

Overseers' Account Book, 1815—1835. *(NOTE.—The first Poor Rate levied (in 1815) was 4/4 in the £.)*

Tithe Apportionment of the East Foreign and West Foreign with the Town Liberty, dated February, 1849.

Altered Apportionment of Ditto, dated September, 1849.

Apportionment of Tithes in the township of Dodington, dated 1841.

*(NOTE.—The Vicar has, since the date of our inspection, found a great quantity of papers consisting of Bastardy Orders, Apprenticeship Indentures, &c., &c., stowed away in a tin box in a cupboard in the Chancel Vestry. These the Vicar, the Rev. S. F. F. Auchmuty, is now re-arranging in order of date.)*

## CLEOBURY NORTH.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman at his house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Copy of Minton's Will, under which 12/- Consols are left to the Poor not in receipt of parish relief.

*(N.B.—The Rector, Rev. N. R. Ramsay, absolutely denied the right of the County Council to go through the Parish Chest—see also Burwarton.)*

## CLIVE.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box at the Clerk of the Council's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Duplicate Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Book of extracts from Vestry Minute Book.

Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book, *kept at the National Provincial Bank, Wem.*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1671—1696 *(containing several Certificates of Burials in Woollen). The following two examples of affidavits of Woollen Burial in Clive Church Register were kindly supplied by the Vicar, viz:—*

"Mary Marsh of the Chappellry of the Clive maketh oath "that John Marsh was buryed in the Chappell of Clive within the "space of eight days last past and that he was not wrapt wound "up or buryed in any other thing but what was made of Sheeps "Wool only and that the coffin was not lined or faced with any "other thing but Sheeps Wool only.

"We believe the contents of this Certificate to be true.

"Witness our hands and seals this 22nd day of November, "1679.

sign
"Martha X Marsh jurt. cor. me
"Wiliam Atkis Ar. Hinckes Mayor."

"Margaret Sandlands of Clive in St. Mary's Parish maketh "oath that Thomas Wycherley of Clive in the parish a foar said "lately deceased was not put in wrapt or wound up or buried in "any shirt shift sheet or shroud made or mingled with flax hemp "silk haire gold or silver or other than what is made of sheeps "wool only nor in any coffin lined or faced with any cloth stuffe "or any other thing whatsoever made or mingled with flax hemp "silk haire gold or silver or any other material but sheeps wool "only. Dated the 20th of December in the 31st year of the reign "of our Sovereign Lord Charles the second King of England "Scotland France and Ireland Ano. Dom. 1679.

"Sealed and Subscribed by us who
"were present and Witnesses to the
"swearing of the above Affidavit.
sign
"Margaret X Sandland
"sign X Rogeri Wicherley.

"I Arthur Hinks Esq. Maj. do hereby certify that the day "and year above said the said Margaret came before me and "made such Affidavit as is above specified and according to a late "Act of Parliament entituled an Act for burying in Woollen.

"Witness my hand the day and year above written
"jurt. cor. me
"Ar. Hinks."

Copy of the above Register from 1671 to 1718, and from that year to 1812 apparently the original Register. The first entry is of a Marriage, viz:—"Robert Husband and Magdalene Pain were married the 20th day of May, 1671." *(N.B.—There are only two Marriage entries from that time up to 1852. They are written on a blank page opposite the ordinary entries of 1714, viz:—*

"Edward Lloyd of this Parish and Susannah Scarlett of the "parish of Worthing were married ye 23d of May, 1713.

"Richard Cook and Catharine Barrow were married (being "both of this parish) in this Chappell on the last day of January "1714."

*(NOTE.—The Register also contains Terriers of Glebe Lands, &c.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
,, Marriages, 1852—in use.
,, Banns, 1877—in use.
,, Burials, 1813—in use.
Vestry Minute Book, 1860—in use.
Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1766—1783.
Bound Returns of Work, and Clerk of Works Weekly Reports during restoration of Church, 1885—7, and 1892—4.
Grant, dated 16th September, 1872, of a site for a School for the several parishes or chapelries of Broughton, Clive, and Grinshill.

Governing Body of Shrewsbury School to the Vicar of All Saints, Clive, Certified Copy Conveyance, dated 27th February, 1878, of £102 7s. 6d.; Tithe Rents Charge of Clive and Sansaw.

Faculty, dated 1885, for restoring Church.

Do. „ 1892 do.

Do. „ 7th March, 1893, for a Vault under the Tower to be made by James Jenkinson Bibby of Hardwicke Grange, and appropriated for himself and family.

Agreement, dated 29th July, 1885, between J. J. Bibby, Esq., and the Revd. John Cooper Wood, empowering the latter, as Vicar, to add certain pieces of land, forming part of the Hardwick Estate, to the Graveyard, and securing a public right of way for foot passengers, and a drift road for cottagers to south of Church.

*(No Tithe Map or Award.)*

*See list of Grinshill documents which refers to an* "Inclosure Award" and Map of Clive and Grinshill, dated 4th July, 1783."

## CLUN.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz.:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Vestry Meeting Minute Book, 28th October, 1835.

Account Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Declaration Book of acceptance of office by Parish Councillors.

Deed, dated 2nd November, 1730, by which Wm. Stirchley gave two pieces of land called Comb Leasows, producing 1s. per week, to poor.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Books are kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register commences 1653.

General Registers from 1680 to present time.

Churchwardens' and Vestry Book, 1688—1780.

*The following Documents are kept in the "Parvise" or "Priests' Room" over Porch, viz:—*

Clun Borough Enclosure Award and Map, dated 15th April, 1845.

Tithe Commutation Award, dated 4th July, 1848, and Maps relating thereto.

Spoad Inclosure Act, dated 18th September, 1854.

Clun Forest Enclosure Award, dated 5th May, 1847.

*(NOTE.—Since these Documents were inspected the above Awards have been transferred, under an Order of the County Council, dated the 24th June, 1901, to the custody of the Parish Council and are now kept in a safe in the Town Hall of Clun.)*

# CLUNBURY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a tin box in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Vestry Meeting Minute Book from 1873 to 1894—*now used as Parish Meeting Minute Book.*
Ordnance Maps of Parish, 25-in. (22 Sheets).

*The following are kept in a fire-proof safe in the house of Mr. J. Brereton of Kempton, Chairman of the Parish Council, viz:—*

Deed, dated 26th March, 1699, relating to Land called School Piece *(the rent was appropriated for the purposes of the School).*

Lease and Release, dated 24th and 25th March, 1756, of Parish Meadow, made between Higgins and Bowen.

Lease and Release, dated March, 1760, of Parish Meadow, made between Bowen and Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish of Clunbury *(the rent was appropriated for purposes of the School).*

*(NOTE.—Since the date of our inspection the Clerk of the Parish Council has informed us that Mr. Brereton has deposited the above documents in a cupboard in the schoolroom.)*

*The following are kept in a wooden chest in the schoolroom, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Apportionment of Obley Township, dated 1843.
Do. do. Clunton Township, dated 1845.
Do. do. Clunbury and Coston Townships, dated 1845.
Tithe Map of Kempton Township.
Do. Clunbury Township.
Altered Apportionment of Township of Obley, dated 1895.
Apportionment and Map of ditto, dated 1899.

Map of lands claiming Common right in the Township of Obley, dated 1849.

Map, dated 1851, of Allotments, Roadways and Works set out by the Valuer over and upon the Common in the Obley Township; also Enclosure Award, dated 10th August, 1854.

*(NOTE.—These two Maps are now bound together and form one document.)*

Clunbury Hill Enclosure Map, dated 1862; also Award dated 7th May, 1863.

Many old Rate Books.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1574—1654. *The following are copies of some*

*interesting entries which appear in this Register, viz:—*

"1625, Dec. 7. A Streinge man from John Morries of Clunton." Bur.

"1629. A strange child from John Reynolds, of Clunton, tailer." Buried.

"1636, April 14. Hugh base s. of Edward Prosper and Katherine "Furely that came into the parish as a wanderer. Bapd."

General Register, 1660—1730.—*Containing on the first two pages many entries of Briefs collected. The following are copies of two entries appearing in this Register, viz:—*

"1684, Nov. 4. Benjamin *daughter* of Reese ap Price & Anne."

"1721, Sept. 3. Martha d. of some travaling woman. Bap."

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1730—1793. *This Register contains the following somewhat unusual entry, viz:—*

"1787, Aug. 5th. Thomas* s. of William and Ann James was "baptised."

"* His Name was not Thomas but William. He was the "only son and was born on the 16th June 1787 as appears by Mrs. "Hold's (the Midwife's) Book. R. Morgan, sub-curate."

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1795—1813. The following note appears on the fly-leaf, viz:—

"Mr. Parry has agreed with the Parishioners of Clunbury to "take instead of the spare wine at the Sacrament ten quart "Pottles of good Port wine annually to be delivered to him in every "year at Easter—the Parish Clerk to have the Pottles.

"Easter Day 1808."

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1841. |
| ,, | ,, | 1842—1867. |
| ,, | ,, | 1867—1901. |
| ,, | ,, | 1901—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1860. |
| ,, | ,, | 1860—in use. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1822—1881.
Do. 1826—1872.

Overseers' Account Book, 1629—1748. *(NOTE.—This book, apparently, contains several interesting, but hardly decipherable, entries of a general character.)*

Overseers' Account Book, 1791—1824.
Churchwardens, Account Book, 1620—1662.
Do. 1788—1821.

*(NOTE.—The Parish Registers to the end of 1812 have been published by the Shropshire Parish Register Society, and a bound and indexed copy has been deposited in the safe with the originals.)*

## CLUNGUNFORD.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a chest in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Book of Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Vestry Minute Book, 1821—1894.
Overseers' Account Book, 1831—1849.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1559—1783.
Do. 1736—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1784.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1785—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1863.
" " 1863—in use.
" Banns, 1823—1863.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1673—1769.
Do. 1848—in use.
Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1848.

Various Deeds relating to certain lands, &c., in the parish, the rents of which, together with the interest on a certain amount of Consols, are distributed between the school and the poor of the parish.

## COALBROOKDALE.

*(Coalbrookdale is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the parishes of Madeley and Dawley Magna in 1851.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the Church Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1851—1854.
" " 1854—in use.
" Marriages, 1854— do.
" Burials, 1854— do.

*(NOTE.—No Tithe Map.)*

## COCKSHUTT.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book, 1896—1901.
Do. do. 1901—in use.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Pass Book.
Letter Book.
Ordnance Map of the Parish.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register containing:—
Baptisms, 1772—1801.
Burials, 1776—1801.
Register of Baptisms, 1802—1812.
" " 1813—1851.
" " 1852—in use.
" Marriages, 1860— do.

*(NOTE.—The Marriages for this parish took place at Ellesmere prior to 1860.)*

Register of Burials, 1802—1812.
" " 1813—1868.
" " 1869—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1794—in use.

Terrier, dated 7th September, 1841.

*(No Tithe Map and Award.)*

## COLD WESTON.

*The Parish Meeting have only held one meeting.—No Minute Book.*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at Hopton Cangeford Vicarage *(the Rector of this parish is also Vicar of Hopton Cangeford)*, viz:—

General Register, 1689—1783, apparently. *(NOTE.—This Register has been sewn together without regard to date.)*

General Register, 1784—1833.

*(NOTE.—This Register was missing when the present Rector came into the living, and was found by him at Stoke St. Milborough.)*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1813—in use. *(Baptisms at one end of the Register, Burials at the other.)*

Register of Marriages, 1813—1829.
,, ,, 1842—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 5th May, 1849.

## CONDOVER.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Rough Minute Book.
Two Receipt and Payment Books.
Contribution Order Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Letter Book.
Miscellaneous Papers, Accounts, &c.

Deed of Transfer, dated 8th January, 1896, from Reginald Cholmondeley, as Lord of the Manor of Condover, to the Parish Council, of his right and authority on, over or upon the piece of land at Bayston Hill, containing 2 acres of thereabouts, allotted by the Award under the Bayston and Munslow Inclosure Act for the purpose of recreation, and which piece of land is numbered 2 on the Plan No. 1 annexed to the said Award.

Rate Books from 1890 to 1894 inclusive, and various others as to rating, &c.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1570—1727.
do. 1728—1753, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812. *There are a great many curious entries in this Register—the following are extracts, viz:—*

"1750. The Honble. Madm. Anna Maria wife of the "Worshipfull Charlton Leighton Esqre. a lady of the greatest "perfections both of body and mind was buried August the 20th.

"Blooming youth must fade: Honour cannot awe, Nor "riches tempts death to withdraw his fatal arm. Eheu! The "most exquisite charms of beauty both of body and mind were "but ineffectually display'd to sooth the grim tyrant.

"1757 June. Sarah Roberts buried from Frodesley the 10th "She cut her throat but was deemed *non compos mentis* by the "wise men of that Town."

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1855.
" " 1855—1896.
" " 1896—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1787.
" " 1788—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1875.
" " 1875—in use.

Inquisition as to Church land, dated 1622.

Grant by Lease and Release, dated 22nd January, 1812, from Philip Berrington and others to Robert Peter Dyneley, of a Rent Charge of £69 per annum upon the Manor and Moat Hall and estates in the County of Salop. In trust for indemnifying the purchasers of part of the estates late of Thomas Berrington, Esq., deceased.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1577—1596.
do. 1604—1627.
do. 1627—1634.
do. 1634—1659.
do. 1659—1689.
do. 1740—1758.
do. 1759—1820.

Easter Books, 1768—1779. In very good condition and extremely interesting.

*The following Documents, &c., are kept in the parish chest in the Church Vestry, viz:—*

Deeds, &c., relating to exchange of Vicarage House, 1787.
Tower Repair Account, 1885.
Churchwardens' Vouchers, in bundles.
Terrier, dated 1825.
" " 1828.
" " 1845.
Faculty, dated 1805, for re-seating Church.

Miscellaneous papers relating to Burial Ground, and other papers of a general description.
Papers relating to the robbery of the Church Plate in 1829.
Black Letter Prayer Book (Charles I.).
Prayer Book in time of George I.
" 1749.
Agreement, dated 1813, relating to the Bells.
Whitgift's Defence.

Jewel's Apology.
Report on the Parish Charities, 1836.
Deed of Trust, dated 1825, relating to Judge Owen's Charity.
Admittance of Copyholders, 1825 do.
Copy Will of Benjamin Pryce.

Memorandum Book containing Accounts of Parish Bonds, Parish Indentures, Orders, Depositions, Certificates, &c., and also containing a number of loose papers, among which are a bequest of Dorothy Harries, dated 1631. Copy Will of Richard Hodges. Extracts from the Wills of Joseph Pryce and Richard Plumer. Two lists of Charities, and extracts and notes relating to old parish deeds, some of which are missing.

Bayston Hill Inclosure Act, 1847.
Great Lyth Common Inclosure, 1807.
Articles for 'farming' the Poor, 1820 and 1835.
Standard Weights and pair of Scales.

List of Churchwardens and Overseers from 1705, and a rough copy of same.

Rate Books.
Valuation Lists.
Loan Book, dated 1804.
Minute Book relating to the Poor, 1741—1747.
List of Parish Apprentices.

Overseers' Account Book, 1654—1681.
Do. 1682—1708.
Do. 1754—1799.
Do. 1756—1773.
Do. 1774—1786.
Do. 1787—1799.
Do. 1800—1812.
Do. 1812—1843.
Vestry Minute Book, 1758—in use.
Four Vols. of Burns' Justice.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 19th November, 1841, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## CORELEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—
Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a box at the Rectory, viz:—
General Register *(very bad condition, almost undecipherable in parts)*, 1543, *apparently* to the year 1598.

General Register *(very bad condition, mutilated, in part undecipherable)* commencing * * * ended 1696. This book contains a list of the names of the "Parsons of ye Rectory of Coreley, "from ye year 1567, Aug. 21st, to ye year 1733, March ye 6th."

*(NOTE.—There are several blank spaces in this Register about the years 1644—1650, and one page contains the curious note* "Registering neglected—a happy time." *This Register is an exception to the general rule in this, that during the period of the Commonwealth the entries are in Latin.)*

General Register, 1697—1740 *(somewhat mutilated).*
Do. 1741—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1803.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1804—1812.
,, Baptisms, 1813—1865.
,, ,, 1866—in use.
,, Banns and Marriages, 1755—1812.
,, Marriages, 1813—1838 (one entry 29th Sept., 1895).
,, ,, 1837—in use.
,, Banns, 1823—1880.
,, Burials, 1813—1881.
,, ,, 1883—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book from Lady-day, 1840, to 21st August, 1840.
Do. do. 1845—1852.

Overseers' Account Book and Parish Meeting Book, 1818—1825 *(or about that time).*
Do. do. 1826—in use.

Copy Assignment, dated 7th August, 1849, of the district of St. John's, Doddington, Clee Hill.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 4th November, 1842.

## PARISH CHARITY.

The Poor Land, *i.e.*,
Pasture Land, 1a. or. 12p., let to Thos. Beddoes at £1 5s. od. per annum.

Stock £367 15s. od., 2¾ Consols. Income £10 2s. od. held by the Official Trustee of Charitable Funds.

Order of Charity Commissioners, dated 8th March, 1878, directing that the income of the Poor Land Charity shall (under certain conditions as to attendance, &c.) be applied in the payment wholly or in part of School Fees or Charges for any deserving children of the labouring artizan or poorer classes resident in the parish of Coreley, in respect of their attendance at some public elementary School.

**ECCLESIASTICAL CHARITY.**

"Longmores" Charity, *i.e.*,
Stock £539 16s. 3d. 2¾ Consols.

Income £14 16s. 8d. held by Official Trustees of Charitable Funds. Income spent under Mr. Longmore's Will in providing bread for the Poor, deserving charity, and who are regular attendants at and members of the Church.

Conveyance, dated 5th August, 1844, of a plot of land for the site of a National School.

Plan, dated 1873, of Doddington proposed new School District in the Parishes of Coreley and Cleobury Mortimer.

Mortgage, dated 30th June, 1870, from Revd. Lomas Miles to the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty, of Tithe Rents, Glebe Lands, &c., for securing £450 and interest for re-building Parsonage, Farm House, &c.

## COUND.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in an unlocked desk at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Financial Statements.
Treasurer's Bond.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1608—1699.
Do. 1699—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1883.
" " 1883—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1898.
" " 1898—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1625—1647.
Do. do. 1650—1667.
Do. do. 1668—1682.
Do. do. 1683—1810.

Overseers' Account Book, 1665—1681.
Do. do. 1683—1722.
Do. do. 1751—1811.
Do. do. 1809—1861.
Do. do. 1827—1841.

Valuation of the parish, dated 1844.
Vestry Minute Book.
Tithe Map and Award, dated February, 1841.
Tithe Commissioners' communication relative to Cressage Tithes, dated 1866.
Map shewing exchange of Glebe land in 1866.
Plan of Severn Valley Railway so far as it affects this parish.
Various Rate Books and miscellaneous papers.

## CRESSAGE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Chairman's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.
Precept Book.
Rate and Payment Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Marriages, 1722—1754, then Marriages only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1841— do.
„ Burials, 1841— do.

*(NOTE.—There were no burials in the parish till 1841—the burials prior to this date being at Cound.)*

Vestry Minute Book, 1841—1876.
do. 1877—in use.

Conveyance, dated 8th August, 1839, of land for school site and made between "The most Noble Harry Duke of Cleveland" and The Rector of Cound and Cressage.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 19th November, 1850.—*Kept at the Rectory.*

*(See list of Cound documents which contains "Tithe Commissioners' "communication relative to Cressage Tithes, dated 1866.")*

## CRIFTINS.

*(Criftins is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed from the parishes of Ellesmere and Dudleston.)*

**Documents, etc, in the custody of the Vicar.** Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1872—in use.
„ Marriages, 1873— do.
„ Burials, 1885— do.

Terrier, dated 1884.
Miscellaneous papers.

## CULMINGTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a bureau at the Clerk's house, viz:—

*(NOTE.—The Parish Council should be requested to provide a lock-up deed box for their papers.)*

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Precept Book.
Treasurer's Book.
Do. Bond.
Book of Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Draft Receipt and Payment Book.
Financial Statements.
Miscellaneous vouchers, papers, &c.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Assistant Overseer,** viz:—

Valuation List, dated 1st January, 1863.
Do. do. 9th February, 1876.
Do. do. 28th December, 1885.
Do. do. 1st March, 1897.
Rate Books, 1876 to present time.
Rate Receipt Check Books since 1876.
Receipt and Payment Book, 1848—1888.
Do. do. 1888—in use.
Duplicate Balance Sheets from 1876 to present time.
Bankers' Pass Book.
Various Agreements with Overseers for compounding Rates.
Various Receipts, Vouchers, papers, &c.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register *(unbound)*, 1579—1644, and has an entry of a marriage on the 21st January, 1691.

General Register, 1669—1719.

*(NOTE.—These first two Registers, which are unbound, have been sewn together.)*

General Register, 1720—1790.

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| Register of Baptisms, | 1788—1813. |
| ,, ,, | 1813—1862. |
| ,, ,, | 1862—in use. |
| ,, Banns of Marriages, | 1754—1899. |
| ,, Banns, | 1899—in use. |
| ,, Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, Burials, | 1791—1812. |
| ,, ,, | 1813—1894. |
| ,, ,, | 1895—in use. |
| Churchwardens' Account Book | 1693—1717. |
| Do. do. | 1718—1753. |
| Overseers' Account Book, | 1705—1717. |
| Do. | 1720—1742. |
| Do. | 1743—1774. |
| Do. | 1788—1804. |

"Brief" Book, 1706—1733.

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| Vestry Minute Book, | 1816—1857. |
| Do. | 1857—in use. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 26th March, 1842, *kept in a tin case at the Rectory.*

## CYNYNNION (RHYD-Y-CROESAU.)

*(Cynynnion is a township in the civil parish of Oswestry Rural, and which with Pentregaer and portions of the parishes of Llansillin, Selattyn, and Llanyblodwell, was formed, in 1844, into an ecclesiastical parish, under the name of Rhyd-y-creosau.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

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| Register of Births, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, Marriages, | 1845— do. |
| ,, Deaths, | 1839— do. |

*(No Tithe Map or Award.)*

# DAWLEY MAGNA.

*(Dawley Magna comprises the urban district of Dawley.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1666—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1764.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1764—1794. |
| ,, | ,, | ,, 1794—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1823. |
| ,, | ,, | 1823—1833. |
| ,, | ,, | 1834—1840. |

—The following note appears at the end of this Register, viz:—"No Register from "1840—1842, probably at Malinslee."

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1842—1881. |
| ,, | ,, | 1881—1896. |
| ,, | ,, | 1896—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1785. |
| ,, | ,, | 1785—1812. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823—1830. |
| ,, | ,, | 1843—1864. |
| ,, | ,, | 1865—1885 |
| ,, | ,, | 1885—1902. |
| ,, | ,, | 1902—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1878. |
| ,, | ,, | 1878—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1835. |
| ,, | ,, | 1842—1872. |
| ,, | ,, | 1872—1885. |
| ,, | ,, | 1886—in use. |

Copy Terrier, dated 1783—*extracted, apparently, soon after that date from the Registry at Lichfield. Very interesting, showing payment of Tithes in kind.*

Copy Terrier, dated 1823.

Terrier, dated August, 1845.

Miscellaneous Papers, Deeds, &c.

Tithe Award and Map of small amount of Tithe received from Dawley Parva in lieu of Easter dues.

Tithe Award and Map of Dawley Magna, dated 29th March, 1843, *kept in a drawer in the office of Mr. W. H. Bailey, Surveyor, Dawley.*

## DAWLEY PARVA or LITTLE DAWLEY.

*(Dawley Parva or Little Dawley is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1844, from the parish of Great Dawley.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

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| Register of | Baptisms, | 1845—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1846—1877. |
| ,, | ,, | 1877—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1846—1880. |
| ,, | ,, | 1880—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1846— do. |

Papers relating to Endowment.
Papers relating to the constitution of parish and buildings.
Faculty for Church alterations, &c., dated 1898.
Plans, &c., of enlarged Vicarage.

*(N.B.—See list of documents for Dawley Magna which includes a "Tithe Map and Award of a small amount of Tithe received from Dawley "Parva in lieu of Easter dues.")*

## DEUXHILL.

*(The Rectory of Deuxhill is united to the Rectories of Chetton and Glazeley. The Church has been pulled down and the inhabitants attend Church at Glazeley.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in an oak cupboard in the house of the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

## DIDDLEBURY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up wooden desk in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council draft Minute Book.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Declaration Book, 1895—1899.
Do. 1899—in use.
Treasurer's Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Overseers' Receipt and Payment Book, 1881—in use.

Collector's Monthly Statement Book, 1878—1893.
Do. do. 1893—in use.
Overseer's Collecting and Deposit Book, 1884—1893.
Do. do. 1893—in use.
Pass Book.
Unpaid Rate Book.
Receipt Books.
Rate Books from 1895 to the present time.
The Rate Books from 1857 to 1895 *are kept in the Parish Room.*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the parish chest at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1583—1598.
Do. 1683—1733.
Do. 1734—1748.
Do. 1749—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1786.
Register of Burials in Wollen, 1678—1679.
" Baptisms and Burials, 1787—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1841.
" " 1842—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1808.
" " 1808—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, from 1822.
" Burials, 1813—1858.
" " 1859—in use.
Trust Deed of School, copy, and extract thereform.
Tithe Maps and Awards:—
Broncroft, dated 1843.
Westhope, dated 1845.
Lawton, dated 1848.
Great Sutton, dated 1848.
Diddlebury, Lawton, Great Sutton and Little Sutton, dated 1851.
Corfton and Sparchford, dated 1851.
Tracing of Tithe Map of Townships of Middlehope and Burwood *(no Award).*

*(NOTE.—There is no Tithe Map for the township of Peaton.)*

Minute Book and Account Book of Valentine's Charity.
Book relating to Radnor's Charity.
Book relating to Lloyd Robert's Charity.
Churchwardens Accounts, 1681—1719 *(incomplete).*
Do. do. 1761—1838.
Overseers' Accounts, 1804—1821.
Do. 1821—1836.

Book of elections of Overseers and Churchwardens, 1686—1751.

*(NOTE.—To the latter date this purports to be a copy of an original list. The book is carried on down to 1879.)*

Corfton Workhouse Accounts, 1787—1836.

Vestry Minute Books.

## DITTON PRIORS.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a wooden box at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Pass Book.

Cheque Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

Ditton Priors Enclosure Award (in book form), dated 3rd May, 1841.

A Map of the "Allotments and Roads on Netchwood Common in the Parish of Ditton Priors," dated 1813.

A Map of the "Allotments and Roads on the Brown Clee Hill in the Parish of Ditton Priors," dated 1813.

A Map *(undated)* of the Exchanges under the Ditton Priors Enclosure Act.

A Map *(undated)* endorsed as "The Map referred to by the Schedule hereunto annexed"—*apparently for the purpose of showing certain Roads intended to be stopped and other new Roads intended to be made in lieu thereof.*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1673—1698.
Do. 1699—1725.
Do. 1726—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1776.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1777—1795.
" " 1796—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1857.
" " 1858—in use.
" Banns, 1834—1845.
" " 1861—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1812.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1878.
" " 1878—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book 1784—1863.

Account Book of Banker's Charity, 1776—1865.

*No Tithe Map.*

## DODDINGTON

*(Doddington is an ecclesiastical parish (formed, in 1849, from the parishes of Cleobury Mortimer and Coreley), but is consolidated by Order in Council with Hopton Wafers.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector,** *who is also Rector of Hopton Wafers.*—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1849—in use.
„ Banns, 1849— do.
„ Marriages, 1849— do.
„ Burials, 1849— do.

*(NOTE.—See "Cleobury Mortimer," which states that Apportionment of the Cleobury Mortimer Tithes, including the township of Doddington, is kept in the Vestry.)*

## DONINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council do.
Account Book.
Declaration Book.
Attendance Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1556—1691.
do. 1689—1754.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1797—1813.
„ „ 1813—1874.
„ „ 1874—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1756—1813.
„ Marriages, 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Banns, 1824—1847.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Accounts, 1629—1811.
Do. Account Book, 1812—in use.

"Certain Sermons or Homilies Appointed to be read in Churches "in the time of Queen Elizabeth of Famous Memory. And now "thought fit to be re-printed by authority from the King's Most "Excellent Majesty. 1683."

Vestry Minute Book, 1842—in use.

Plans of Rectory house.

Faculty, dated 12th March, 1878, for the restoration and enlargement of the Parish Church, and statement of restoration.

Conveyance, dated 31st December, 1852, of a site for a School.

Perpetual Lease, dated 24th January, 1853, of land for Schoolmaster's house.

A Terrier of Lands, &c., belonging to the Rectory of Donington, dated 1775.
Do. do. dated 1783.
Do. do. dated 1793.

Terrier of Tithes and Church property, dated 1884.

Tithe Apportionment and Map of Donington, dated 1843, also altered Apportionment and Map, dated 1852.

Boscobel Tithe Award, dated 1845 (Extra Parochial).

Tin case, containing Commissioners' Award under Special Act for dividing and inclosing Common-Lands, 1774.

Survey of the Parish of Donington, with Map, dated 1771.

Award of part of the Parish of Donington, dated 1791.

Overseers' Account Book, 1744—1784.
Do. do. 1784—1816.
Do. do. 1816—1837.

Book of Road Accounts, 1717—1839.

Book of Surveyor of Highways Accounts, 1839—1850.

Highway Rate Book, 1851—1856.

Valuation of Donington Parish, with Map, dated 1853.

Assessment Book of Donington, dated 1853.

Sealed Order of Charity Commissioners, dated 15th January, 1892, for the redemption of the Chapman Charity.

Miscellaneous Papers.

## DONNINGTON WOOD.

*(Donnington Wood is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed in 1851 from the parish of Lilleshall.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—

Register of Baptisms, 1845—in use.
„ Marriages, 1851—in use.
„ Burials, 1850—in use.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## DORRINGTON.

*(Dorrington is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed in 1845 from the parish of Condover.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz.:—

Register of Baptisms, 1845—in use.
" Marriages, 1845—in use.
" Burials, 1845—in use.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## DRAYTON-IN-HALES *(Market Drayton).*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box at the office of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Draft do.
Committee do.
Councillors' Attendance Register.
Book of Declarations of acceptance of office.
Contribution Order Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Standing Orders.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Letter Book.
Order Book.
Copying Press.

Fire-proof Safe containing Rate Books, Ordnance Maps of Parish.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1657.
do. 1659—1716.
do. 1716—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1757.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1757—1787.
" " " 1788—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1831.
" " 1831—1865.
" " 1865—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1789.
" Marriages, 1789—1812.

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| Register of Marriages, | | 1813—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—1862. |
| " | " | 1862—1902. |
| " | " | 1902—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813—1841. |
| " | " | 1841—in use. |

Tithe Apportionment of Rent Charge, &c., dated 22nd December, 1842 *(no Map).*

Tithe Award, dated 4th May, 1843.

Award and Map, dated 23rd January, 1852, of "Common Lands in "the Township of Drayton Parva in the Parish of Drayton-in-Hales."

"Altered Apportionment of Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes in that "part of the Parish of Drayton-in-Hales which lies in the County of "Salop, dated 26th July, 1883."

**The following Documents are kept in an oak chest, near the West Door of the Church, viz.:—**

Copy Citation, dated 14th April, 1881.

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| Account Book relating to the relief of the Poor, | | 1756—1771. |
| Do. | do. | 1768—1769. |
| Do. | do. | 1775—1786. |

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|---|---|
| Church Rate Book, | 1792—1793. |
| Do. | 1813—1818. |
| Do. | 1819—1827. |

Rate or Assessment for repairs of Parish Church and Churchyard, 1827.

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|---|---|
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1769—1796. |
| Do. | 1818—1838. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1882—in use.

Paper relating to Winter Relief Fund, 1887.

Do. Jubilee Rejoicing, 1887.

Bundle of receipts as to restoration of Grammar School, &c.

## DUDLESTON.

*(Dudleston is an ecclesiastical parish only, in the civil parish of Ellesmere Rural.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**

*Two efforts have been made to inspect these documents, but without success.*

*The Vicar writes as follows:—*

"The Parochial Registers here, the entries of which are "complete, begin—Baptisms and Burials in 1693, and Marriages "in 1708."

"There is nothing here of any outside or County interest "save the Registers, particulars of which I have already sent you—"everything else is of the usual character. Plans of Church and "Vicarage, old and modern Church Accounts, documents in "connection with Parish Trusts, Vestry Minute Books, Licences, "Faculties, &c."

## EARDINGTON.

*(Eardington is a civil parish only and is attached to Quatford for ecclesiastical purposes.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a cupboard in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Letter Book.
Surveyor's Account Book, 1812—1839.

## EAST HAMLET.

*(East Hamlet was separated from Stanton Lacy in 1879. The Rector of Ludlow is now Vicar of East Hamlet.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box at Clerk's office, viz:—

Minute Book.
Committees' Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Book.
Precept Book (used for Contribution).
Do. do. (Adoptive (Lighting) Act).
Letter Book.
Declarations of Parish Councillors' Book.
Account Book—General and Special Funds.
Book of Notices to Guardians of Appointment of Overseers.

*We were informed that all the old Documents are at Stanton Lacy. The present Registers, &c., are in the possession of the Rector of Ludlow.*

## EASTHOPE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory. viz.:—

General Register, 1624—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1791. At the end of this Register there are entries for the years 1792—3 and 4, at the end of which there is the following note, viz:—

"The above Articles of Births, Burials, &c., were lost by "the neglect of the Parish and therefore have been obtained "from the Court at Hereford.—E. J. Langton."

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1794—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1811. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1816—1830. |
| ,, | ,, | 1840—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

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|---|---|---|
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1853—1860. |
| Do. | do. | 1861—in use. |

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| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1852—1863. |
| Do. | 1863—1879. |
| Do. | 1879—in use. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st August, 1845.

Trust Deed of Brockton School for the parishes of Easthope and Stanton Long, dated 1845.

Miscellaneous papers, &c.

## EATON CONSTANTINE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1684—1768.

Register containing:—
Baptisms, 1740—1812.
Marriages, 1772—1796.

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1814—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1780—1811. |
| ,, | ,, | 1814—1837. |

Register of Marriages, 1842—in use.
„ Banns, 1825— do.
„ Burials, 1850— do.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1782—1868.
Rate Book, 1864—1867.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 5th September, 1840.
Miscellaneous papers.

## EATON-UNDER-HEYWOOD.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in an iron safe in the schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Account Book.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Various Vouchers and miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the wall of the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1688—1758. The following note appears in this Register beneath an entry of the burial of a Thos. Linley on March 3rd, 1717, viz:—"A Mortuary 2s. was paid for Thos. Linley by "Widow." *(NOTE.—In subsequent years there are many such entries, the amount being, in some instances, as much as ten shillings.)*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1759—1812. Inside the cover of this Register is the following note, viz:—

"22nd July, 1807.

"A most awful and tremendous storm of Thunder, Lightning, "Hail and Rain. Hail fell in this neighbourhood 4 to 5 inches "in length resembling broken ragged Ice. The wheat cut off at "the heads, windows destroyed everywhere the Hail could reach. "Fruit and gardens nearly destroyed. In short—It was an "*awful visitation;* may it ever be remembered in this neighbour-"hood.

"Rd. Fleming A.B. at that period Curate."

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1880.
„ „ 1881—in use.
„ Banns, 1823—1876.
„ „ 1877—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1783.
„ „ 1784—1813.

Register of Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1850—1871.
Do. do. 1874—1893.
Overseers' do. 1836—1850.

Valuation of the Parish for Poor Law purposes, dated 1840.

Parochial School Account Book, 1878—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1844—in use.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1842—*kept in the Vestry.*

*(NOTE.—The safe is very damp and the books, &c., should be removed.)*

## EDGMOND.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the Clerk's house, viz :—

Vestry Meeting Minute Book, 1848—in use.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Rough Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Treasurer's Book.
Declaration Book.
Book of notification of appointment of Overseers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1669—1719.
Do. 1719—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1800.

Register of Baptisms, 1800—1812.
" " 1813—1881.
" " 1881—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1799.
" " 1800—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1800—1812.
" " 1813—in use.

Bastard Register, 1797—1828. *(N.B.—This is the first Register of this description produced to us.)*

Valuation for Poor Law purposes, dated 1841.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1650—1673 *(sic) very mutilated.*
Do. 1673—1758.
Do. 1759—1878.

Overseers' Account Book, 1752—1793.
Do. 1791—1814.
Do. 1827—1834.

Poor Rate Book, 1791—1815.
Do. 1818—1836.

Church Rate Book, 1823—1839.

Vestry Minute Book, 1802—1848. *This Book contains an account of all poor children apprenticed from 1783—1820.*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1841.

## EDGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in brown papers in the Clerk's house, viz: —

Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Contribution Order Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a wooden box at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1722—1794.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1795—1812.
" " 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1764—1812. *(There is a note on the cover of this Register that Marriages from 1773—1778 are registered in the Burial Register; but the Burial Register for that period could not be found.)*

Register of Marriages, 1814—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1825—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1831—1875, also containing the Churchwardens' Accounts from 1830 to 1859.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1879—1890 *(containing few entries).*

Conveyance, dated 6th May, 1872, from H. Sandford to the Vicar and Churchwardens of the Parish of Edgton of a piece of land for a School site.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1841.

## EDSTASTON.

*(Edstaston is an ecclesiastical parish only, and was formed in 1850 from the parish of Wem.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1712—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1854.
„ „ 1854—in use.
„ Marriages, 1850—in use.
„ Banns, 1857—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—1885.
„ „ 1885—in use.

Conveyance, dated 3rd August, 1872, from the Right Hon. Rowland Viscount Hill and others to the Ministers and Churchwardens of a site for a School.

Copy Citation, dated 6th October, 1882, for the restoration and repairs of the Church.

Faculty, dated 24th November, 1882, for the restoration and repairs of the Church.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## ELLESMERE RURAL.

*(Ellesmere Rural is a civil parish only—for ecclesiastical documents see Criftins, Ellesmere Urban, Dudleston, Lyneal and Tetchill.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a cupboard in the office of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Parish Meeting do.

Declarations of acceptance of office.

Cheque Book.

Bank Pass Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Letter Book.

Correspondence, yearly accounts of Charities, &c.

Treasurer's Bond—*kept in a safe in the house of the Chairman of the Parish Council.*

# ELLESMERE URBAN.

*(Ellesmere Urban forms the Urban District of Ellesmere.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz.:—

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1831.
" " 1831—1853.
" " 1853—1891.
" " 1891—in use.
" Marriages, 1837—1851.
" " 1895—1902.
" " 1902—in use.
" Burials, 1825—1852.
" " 1852—in use.—*A very few entries only since 1865 when the Cemetery was opened.*

Terrier, dated 24th October, 1879, *framed and hung in the Vestry.*

**The following are kept in an old wooden chest in the Church adjoining the Vestry,** viz.:—

General Register, 1654—1692 *(mutilated).*
Register of Baptisms, 1692—1724.
" " 1724—1757.
Register containing:—
Marriages, 1737—1754, & Baptisms, 1757—1785 } *at one end.*
*and*
Marriages, 1754—1785, *at the other end.*
Register of Births and Christenings, 1784—1812.
" Marriages, 1707—1737.
" " 1785—1805.
" " 1805—1825.
" " 1825—1837.
" " 1851—1866.
" " 1866—1895.
" Banns, 1822—1850.
" Burials, 1713—1758.
" " 1758—1798.
" " 1799—1812, *at one end; and at the other* 1813—1825.

Book containing Highway Accounts, Churchwardens' Accounts, Poors' Accounts and Vestry Minutes, 1728—1768.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1727—1735.
Do. do. 1773—1790.
Church Account Book, 1791—1805.
Do. do. 1825—1839.
Overseers' Account Book, 1720—1730.

Highway Account Book, 1728—1742.
Do. do. 1742—1755.
Do. do. 1755—1761.
Do. do. 1762—1778.
Do. do. 1769—1783.

Poors' Account Book, 1747—1762.
Do. do. 1775—1784.
Do. do. 1784—1791.
Do. do. 1792—1810.

Poor Rate Assessment Book, 1798—1810.
Do. do. 1810—1815.
Do. do. 1816—1821.
Do. do. 1821—1825.
Do. do. 1825—1829.

Book containing, *at the one end*:—
Account of the Trustees of Mrs. Wenlock's Charity, 1722—1822.
*(N.B.—This Charity provided for the distribution of Bibles, &c., to poor persons in certain townships in the parish of Ellesmere.)*
*And at the other end of the book*:—Register of Briefs, 1708—1739.

Account Book of Mrs. Wenlock's Charity, 1823—1863.

"Account of the population of Ellesmere," 1821.

"Parish of Ellesmere, Formula No. 1, population enquiry, 1831."
Do. do. No. 2. Do.

Vestry Minute Book, 1778—1830.

Miscellaneous papers.

**The following are kept in a second wooden chest in the Church adjoining the Vestry:—**

*Tithe Maps of the following townships, viz*:—

Dudleston.
New Marton part.
Ridges part.
Crickett.
Elson and Greenhill.
Eastwick.
Trench.
Northwood.
Hamptons Wood.
Stocks and Coptiviney.
Oatley Newton and Spoonhill.
Ellesmere part.
Newnes.
Hardwick.
Tetchill part.
Birch and Lyth.
Lee.
Colemere.
Lyneal.
Frankton part.
Cockshutt and Crosemere.
Kenwick, Stockett and Whittall.
Kenwick's Park.
Kenwick's Wood part.
Several Townships.

Altered Apportionment, also Award attached, dated 20th December, 1871.

**The following are kept in a third wooden chest in the Church adjoining the Vestry,** viz. :—

*Apportionments referring to the above Tithe Maps, bound in four volumes and endorsed* "Articles of Agreement, 27th June, 1837, Valuers' Apportiment,"

Vol. 1 contains the Articles of Agreement.

Vol. 2.—*The Apportionment of the Townships of—*

Birch and Lyth.
Cockshutt and Crosemere.
Colemere.
Crickett.
Dudleston.

Vol. 3.—*The Apportionment of the Townships of—*

Eastwick.
Ellesmere.
Elson and Greenhill.
Frankton.

Vol. 4.—*The Apportionment of the Townships of—*

Hampton Wood.
Hardwick.
Kenwick, Stockett and Whittall.
Kenwick's Park.
Kenwick's Wood.
Lee.
Lineal.
Newnes.
New Marton.
Northwood.
Oatley Newton and Spunhill.
Ridges.
Stocks and Coptiviney.
Tetchill.
Trench.

## EYTON-UPON-THE-WILDMOORS.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Office of the Clerk of the Parish Meeting, 28, Foundry Road, Wellington, Salop *(no box or safe)*, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1698—1778. |
| ,, | ,, | 1778—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1814—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1853— do. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1756—1801. |
| ,, | ,, | 1801—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1834. |
| ,, | ,, | 1834—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | ,, | 1860— do. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1883— do. |

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

## FARLOW.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box in the school, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Cheque Book.

Banker's Pass Book.

Miscellaneous Papers, Correspondence, &c.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz.:—

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1858. |
| ,, | ,, | 1858—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1858— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1858— do. |

*See "Stottesdon," which states that the earlier Registers also include entries for Farlow.*

Vestry Minute Book, 1850—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1712—1721.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Book, 1742—1767.

Overseers' Account Book, 1768—1800. *Also containing a few entries by the Churchwardens.*

Overseers' Account Book, 1800—1836. *Also containing a few Vestry Minutes between the years 1838 and 1849.)*

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the Chapelry of Farlow, dated 1847.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the township of Oreton *in the Parish of Stottesdon*, dated 1849.

*(NOTE.—The township of Oreton was transferred in 1877, for ecclesiastical purposes only, from the parish of Stottesdon to the parish of Farlow.)*

*N.B.—The Rate Book for this parish for the year 1837 is in the possession of the Vicar of Stottesdon. Farlow was at this date a portion of the parish of Stottesdon.*

## FAULS.

*(Fauls is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in the year 1871 from the parish of Prees.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1856—in use.
" Marriages, 1856—in use.
" Burials, 1856—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1884—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1884—in use.

Trust Deed of Lower Heath School.

## FITZ.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin deed box at the house of the Assistant Overseer, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Various Papers, Correspondence, &c.
Sundry Valuation Lists, Rate Books, Notices of Appeal, &c., *kept in a bureau in the Assistant Overseer's house.*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a wooden box in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register *(bound in vellum)*, 1559—1774 *(some of the leaves are missing).*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1774—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1836.
" " 1836—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Conveyance, dated 27th March, 1787, by Lord Clive of Plassey, re Forton Heath.

Lease for a year, dated 26th March, 1787, from Lord Clive to Messrs. Coupland and Edge, of Forton Heath.

Inclosure Award, dated 11th June, 1787, of part of Forton Heath, and Plan of land awarded.

Agreement of Parishioners of Fitz.

Deed of Covenant, dated 20th January, 1822, to operate as Inclosure Award re Fitz Common.

Terrier, dated 2nd May, 1704.
" " 8th July, 1712.
" " 16th October, 1787.
" " 15th August, 1824.
" " 7th September, 1845.

Books of Highway Accounts, 1821—1858.

Books of Poor Law Accounts, 1797—1848.

Apprenticeship Indentures, Receipts, &c.

Sundry ecclesiastical notices, returns, correspondence, &c.

Tithe Map of the parish, dated 1849, altered in 1853, *kept at the Rectory.*

## FORD.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book, 1895—1899.
Do. 1900—in use.
Treasurer's Account Book.
Letter Book.
Miscellaneous papers, vouchers, &c., &c.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Conveyance, dated 17th February, 1872, and made between The Rev. Robert Lingen Burton and the Vicar and Churchwardens of the parish of Ford, of a site for the school.

Conveyance, dated 14th June, 1887, and made between The Rev. R. L. Burton and the Freeholders of Ford Churchyard, of a piece of land in pursuance of 30 & 31 Vic. cap. 133.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Ford, dated 10th February, 1849. *(NOTE.—The township comprises the parish of Ford and a portion of the parish of Alberbury.)*

Award of John Matthew, Assistant Tithe Commissioner, as to the boundary of the parish of Ford, dated 29th December, 1846.

*The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—*

General Register, 1569—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1760. *(NOTE.—There are only 5 or 6 entries between 1569 and 1599.)*

Register containing:—
1. Baptisms, 1760—1812.
2. Burials, 1762—1861.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1894.
" " 1894—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1812.
" " 1813—1835.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1861— do.

## FRODESLEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Account Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1547—1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1807—1812.
" " 1815—1837.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

"A Register belonging to ye Parish of Frodesley according "to an Act for ye better preventing of Clandestine Marriages," 1754—1805.

Vestry Minute Book, 1824—in use.

Terrier, dated 1748.
Do. 1759.
Do. 1841.
Do. 1845.
Do. 1849.

Tithe Map, dated 10th January, 1845.

Miscellaneous papers.

Copy Will of Robert de Longdon, Rector of Frodesley, dated 1361 —*taken from the Domesday Book.* The following is a copy thereof, kindly supplied by the Rector, the Rev. A. H. Briton, viz:—

"In dei nomine Amen ego Robertus de Longedon, rector de "frodesley, condo meum testamentum in hoc modo coram fratre "meo et capellaus eruardo clerico imprimis lego animam meam deo "omnipotenti et corpus memu ad sepelrendum in ecclesia coram "cruce Ste. Andree de condover. Item lego in cera quatuon libras "Item lego dimidram marcam in oblationibus xl$^{d.}$ in eclesia et "idem in eclesia de condover. Item lego elene sorori mee trigyuta "solidos Item lego Rogero meo fratre meo meas acras et calcaria "et."

## GLAZELEY.

*(The Rectory of Glazeley is consolidated with the Rectories of Deuxhill and Chetton.)*

No Parish Meetings have been held for this parish, therefore they have no Minute Book or any other documents.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1736—1769. *In 1757 the following note appears, viz:*—"No Christenings, Marriages or Deaths happened in this year."

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1770—1812. *(N.B.—This Register contains, at the end thereof, several entries of Baptisms for 1804 and 1805 for Loton.)*

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| Register of | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1768—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1814—1849. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1847—1884. |
| ,, | ,, | 1891—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

*(See list of documents for "Chetton," which includes a copy of the Chetton, Glazeley, Deuxhill, and Middleton Scriven Articles of Association for the prosecution of Felons.)*

## GREAT HANWOOD.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the school, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1883.
„ do. 1883—in use.
„ Marriages, 1874— do.
„ Burials, 1837— do. *(NOTE.—The entries between 1837 and 1873 (pages 1 to 25) are in the same hand and have evidently been copied from another Register. They do not contain the name of the person by whom the work was performed. There are six entries on the first page for 1873, four and five of which are, apparently, original entries; pages 26 to 51 are blank; page 52 is irregular, one entry for 1875 is written before three for 1874; page 53 contains an entry for 1873 inserted at the bottom of the page. The remainder of the Register is regular.)*

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 9th December, 1873—*kept at the Rectory.*

## GREAT NESS.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up chest in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Precept Book.
Book of appointment of Overseers.
Treasurer's Bond.
Specifications for Pump Wells.
Various papers, circulars, &c.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—

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| Parish Meeting Minute Book, | 1830—1856. |
| Overseer's Account Book, | 1680—1709. |
| do. | 1727—1745. |
| do. | 1779—1798. |
| do. | 1798—1813. |
| do. | 1821—1830. |

Overseers' Account Book, 1830—1837.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1723—1770.
do. 1770—1823.

Surveyors of Highways Account Book, 1706—1743.
do. do. 1746—1767.

Orders of Removal, &c.

Many old Rate Books.

Miscellaneous papers.

**The following are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz.:—**

General Register, 1589—1664, and copies on parchment of various entries in this Register.

General Register, 1663—1720.
do. 1720—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1790.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1787—1813. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1864. |
| ,, | ,, | 1864—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1755—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials in Woollen, | 1678—1697. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1884. |
| ,, | ,, | 1884—in use. |

An old Book *(no date)* containing particulars of the lands in the parish.

Map of parish, dated 1823.

Book endorsed "Particulars to Map of the parish of Great Ness "1823."

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1850.

## GREAT WOLLASTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box in the schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Ordnance Map of the Parish.

Parish Meeting and Easter Vestry Minute Book, 1822—1891.

Overseers' Accounts and Easter Vestry Minute Book, 1770—1804.
Do. do. 1803—1836.
Do. do. 1836—1840.

Register of Apprentices, 1818—1836.
Rate Book, 1815—1828.
Do. 1862—1866.

Miscellaneous papers relating to Charities, Settlements, &c.

Valuation Lists, Apprenticeship Indentures, Bastardy Bonds, Removal Orders, and miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz. :—

Register of Baptisms, 1849—in use.
,, Banns, 1864— do.
,, Marriages, 1864— do. *(NOTE.—The Marriages take place at Middletown.)*
,, Burials, 1872— do.
Various Ordnance Maps of parish and district.

## GREETE.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1728—1760, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
,, Banns and Marriages, 1760—1873.
,, Marriages, 1814—1834.
,, ,, 1839—in use.
,, Banns, 1823—in use.
,, Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1749—1790.

Tithe Map and Award.

## GRINSHILL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box in the schoolroom, viz:—

Minute Book.
Contribution Order Book.

Pass Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Book of Precepts.

Petty Cash Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

A quantity of correspondence.

Ordnance Map of Grinshill.

Inclosure Award and Map of Clive and Grinshill, dated 4th July, 1783.

Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book, *kept at the National Provincial Bank, Wem.*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Church, viz:—

"A Copy of the Register Book of Grinshill, transcribed out of the "original from the year 1592 to this present year 1718 Ano. Dom. "1719."

*(NOTE.—From 1719, the Register running to 1798, is apparently the original.)*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1798—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1757—1811.
„ „ 1815—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Terrier, dated 14th August, 1845, of buildings, land, tithes, fees, emoluments, and dues, &c. *(NOTE.—This is said to be quite incorrect.)*

Faculty, dated 1839, for re-building Church.

Faculty, dated 8th September, 1880, for the general restoration of the Church.

Consent to accept Endowment of £110, dated 18th March, 1852.

Conveyance, dated 12th February, 1862, of a piece of land in the parish of Grinshill as a site for the School.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1837—1873.

Book showing Church Rates, 1861—1873.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1838—*kept at the Vicarage.*

## HABBERLEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Chairman, viz.:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1670—1736.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1793—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1811. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1839. |
| ,, | ,, | 1839—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1814— do. |

Overseers' Account Book, 1741—1783.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1750—1809.

Copy Terrier, dated 1607.
Do. do. 1624.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1849.
Settlement Orders and miscellaneous papers.

## HADLEY.

*(Hadley was constituted a civil parish in 1898 from the parish of Wellington Rural—formerly a ward of that parish.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a tin box at the office of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book *(formerly used as Hadley Ward Minute Book).*

Parish Council Minute Book.
Committee Minute Book.
Letter Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Declarations of acceptance of Office.
Book of appointments of Overseers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

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| Register of | Baptisms, | 1856—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1858— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1856— do. |

## HADNALL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in safe in Clerk's house, viz:—

Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1783—1812.
" " 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1857—in use.
" Banns, 1857—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Faculty, dated 17th July, 1874, for enlarging Chancel and rebuilding Vestry.

*(This parish is attached for tithe purposes to Myddle.)*

## HALFORD AND DINCHOP.

*(Halford and Dinchop is united to Sibdon Carwood for ecclesiastical purposes.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurers' Pass Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Allotments Rent Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1844— do.
" Burials, 1813— do.

*(See list of documents for the parish of "Bromfield," which includes a "General Register of the chapelry of Halford from 1597 to 1759.")*

## HARLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a tin deed box in the schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Ordnance Map of the Parish—25-inch scale—*hung in the schoolroom.*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a chest in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1745—1781—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1801.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1801—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1781—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1836. |
| „ | „ | 1838—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1891— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Overseers' Account Book, 1793—1839.
Churchwardens' do. 1787—1893.
Do. do. 1893—in use.

Collecting and Deposit Book, 1857—1860.
Highway Rate Book, 1858—1864.
Rate Book, 1856—1862.
Do. 1885—1889.
Do. 1889—1891.

*The following Documents are kept at the Rectory, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 30th December, 1837.

Conveyance, dated 18th November, 1858, of site for School from Duke of Cleveland to the Vicar and Churchwardens of Harley.

Vestry Minute Book, 1889—in use.

## HEATH.

*(Heath is a chapelry attached to the parish of Stoke St. Milboro' for ecclesiastical purposes.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

*(NOTE.—The Stoke St. Milborough Registers contain the Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials for the chapelry of Heath. Tithe Map and Award dated 1st December, 1856, kept at Stoke St. Milborough Vicarage.)*

## HENGOED.

*(Hengoed is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1854, from the parishes of Selattyn and Whittington.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1854—1889.
„ „ 1890—in use.
„ Marriages, 1854— do.
„ Burials, 1854— do.

Church Accounts, dated 1870.

Various papers.

Copies of certain documents as to Tithes, &c., made upon the formation of the Parish.

Copies of London Gazette containing account of formation of parish, &c., &c.

## HIGH ERCALL or ERCALL MAGNA.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk of the Council *(no box)*, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book, 1894—in use.

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Declaration Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Precept Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

Agreement, dated 8th June, 1897, for letting 6 acres, 2 roods, 6 perches of land for Allotment purposes and made between the Duke of Sutherland and the Parish Council of High Ercall.

Agreement, dated 9th April, 1897, for the letting of 2a. 2r. 10p. of land for Allotment, made between the Parish Council and Samuel Morris.

Agreement, dated 9th April, 1897, for the letting of 2a. or. 25p. of land for Allotment, made between the Parish Council and John Picken.

Agreement, dated 9th April, 1897, for the letting of 2a. or. 18p. of land for Allotment, made betwen the Parish Council and Geo. Hall.

Receipt Book for Allotment Rents.

Many Rate Books.

Miscellaneous papers.

*The following Documents are kept in tin boxes at the house of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—*

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| Overseers' Account Book, | 1687—1745. |
| Do. | 1774—1794. |
| Do. | 1771—1806. |
| Do. | 1801—1809. |
| Do. | 1807—1820. |
| Do. | 1821—1835. |
| Do. | 1832—1837. |
| Do. | 1840—1845. |
| Do. | 1845—1847. |

An old map of the boundaries of the parishes of High Ercall and Rodington.

Copy of a Document, dated 2nd September, 1840 *(presumably an Award). This document was not produced at our inspection of the documents for this parish.)*

Map of the parish *(in oak case)*, dated 1832, also Survey and Valuation relating thereto.

Two old Agreements, dated 1795 and 1819 respectively, and relating to Poor Land at Eaton-on-Tern.

Register of Parish Apprentices from 7th September, 1835, to 23rd November, 1835.

Cattle Plague Rate Book, dated 28th April, 1866 *(the Rate levied was 5d. in the £).*

Cattle Plague Rate Book, dated 21st January, 1867 *(the Rate levied was 3s. 4d. in the £).*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage viz:—

General Register, 1585—1651. *(NOTE.—There are very few entries between 1555 and 1561.)*

General Register, 1653—1680. *At the end of this Register there is a separate Register of Burials in the parishes of Rodington and Waters Upton from 1679—1684, inclusive.*

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| General Register, | 1681—1709. |
| Do. | 1710—1727. |
| Do. | 1727—1737. |
| Do. | 1737—1749. |

General Register from 1749 to 1754—then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1776.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1780—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1834. |
| ,, | ,, | 1834—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1804. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1804—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1888. |
| ,, | ,, | 1888—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1820—1856. |
| ,, | ,, | 1857—1883. |
| ,, | ,, | 1883—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1833. |
| ,, | ,, | 1833—1893. |
| ,, | ,, | 1893—in use. |

Churchwardens' Account Book and Vestry Minute Book, 1685—1770.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1768—1880.

Valuation of the Parish, dated 1831.

*Tithe Maps and Awards of the following townships, viz:—*

Ercall, Cotwall, Moortown, Walton and Osbaston, dated October, 1840, and Altered Apportionment of the same Townships, dated December, 1854.

Tearn, Cold Hatton, Crudgington and Sleap, dated December, 1840.

Haughton and Poynton, dated December, 1841.

Rowton and Ellerdine, dated December, 1841.

Isombridge, dated March, 1843.

Roden, dated December, 1850.

Terrier (and copy of same), dated 1733.

Terrier, dated 1841.
Do. 1845.
Do. 1884.

Miscellaneous papers.

## HIGHLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a cupboard in the Clerk's house, viz:—

*(NOTE.—The books, &c., are very untidily kept and should be in a box.)*

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.

Declarations of acceptance of Office.
Register of Allotments and unlet Allotments.

Book containing account of receipts and payments in respect of Allotments.

Miscellaneous papers, circulars from Local Government Board, &c., &c., &c.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1551—1749.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1756—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1883.
„ „ 1883—in use.
„ Marriages, 1756—1812.
„ „ 1813—1838.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Burials. 1813—in use.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1842.

Altered Apportionment, dated 1889.

Sealed copy Award of Exchange, dated 9th September, 1888.

Deeds and papers relating to the Poor Houses and Land Charity, dated 1758.

## HINSTOCK.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a lock-up chest in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
do. Draft do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Precept Book.
Declaration of acceptance of Office Book.

**The following are kept in an oak chest in a room known as the Jubilee Room at Hinstock—the key being kept by a Parish Councillor, viz.:—**

Haddon's Handbook of the Local Government Act, 1894, 2nd Edition.

Various Elementary Education Acts.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1695—1738.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1757—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—1840. |
| „ | „ | 1840—1876. |
| „ | „ | 1876—in use. |
| „ | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1812. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1838—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813—1866. |
| „ | „ | 1867—in use. |

Book containing:—

{Appointments of Overseers and Churchwardens, 1735—1853.
{Vestry Minutes, 1768—1805.

Vestry Minute Book, 1820—1862.
do do. 1863—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1807—1853.

Terrier, dated 26th August, 1845.

Transcript of proceedings under the Tithe Commutation Act, dated 26th November, 1836.

Valuation of the Parish of Hinstock, dated 1838.

Book of Reference to the Map of the Parish of Hinstock, dated 1838.

Apportionment and Map of Common Lands in the Parish of Hinstock, *kept at the Rectory.*

Tithe Map and Award, *kept at the Rectory.*

## HODNET.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe in the Parish Room, viz:—

Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Parish Councillors' Declaration Book.
Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond, &c., &c.
Miscellaneous papers.
Ordnance Plans of Parish.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following Documents, etc., are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1657, apparently to 1700.
Do. 1700—1768.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1769—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1846.
„ „ 1846—1864.
„ „ 1864—in use.
„ Marriages, 1755—1807.
„ „ 1807—1813.
„ „ 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—1862.
„ „ 1863—in use.

*The following Documents, etc., are kept in a chest in the Church, viz:—*

Abstract of Trust Deeds, &c., relating to real estate belonging to the poor of Hodnet.

Copies of Wills of various Benefactors.

Copy Benefaction Table (Charities very numerous).

Various bundles of Deeds relating to Charities.

Vestry Minute Book and Overseers' Account Book, 1784—1814. Also containing a list of Overseers from 1715 to 1821.

Vestry Minute Book and Overseers' Account Book, 1783—1878.

Overseers' Account Book, 1801—1835.

Vestry Order Book, 1832—1834.
„ 1834—1836.
„ 1844—1874.

Weekly Payment Book (apparently 1834).

Terrier (printed copy), dated 13th September, 1767, of the Glebe Lands, Buildings, and Tithes belonging to the Chapelry of Moreton Say in the Rectory of Hodnet (framed and hung in the Church).

Copy Terrier, dated 1884, of the buildings, land, tithes, &c., &c., of Hodnet, signed by R. Hugh Cholmondeley, who was then Rector.

Plan of Hodnet, Wem, and Drayton.

Various Books of Reference to the Maps of the Township, and of the Parish, and Valuations of the same.

Various Railway Plans and Books of Reference.

Various Assessment Books for the relief of the Poor.

Valuation Lists of the Parish, 1884.

Register of Apprentices, 1802—1829.

Bundle of Apprenticeship Indentures.

Tithe Maps and Apportionments, dated 17th December, 1841, of the following parish and townships, viz:—

Parish of Hodnet.

Chapelry of Weston-under-Redcastle and Wixhill in the parish of Hodnet.

Township of Wollerton in the parish of Hodnet.

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| Do. | Peplow | do. |
| Do. | Marchamley | do. |
| Do. | Kenstone | do. |
| Do. | Losford | do. |
| Do. | Little Bolas | do. |
| Do. | Hawkestone | do. |
| Do. | Hopton and Espley | do. |
| Do. | Hodnet | do. |

*(NOTE.—The above Tithe Maps and Apportionments have been sewn together.)*

## HOLDGATE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a lock-up drawer in the Chairman's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the study at the Vicarage *(no safe)*, viz:—

General Register, 1662—1700 *(very imperfect and leaves loose).*

General Register, 1701—1755 *(also contains entries of several "Briefs" raised in the Parish).*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1755—1808. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1808—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824— do. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1796. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1858—1894.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1824—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1842.

## HOPE.

*(Hope is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in the year 1860 from the parish of Worthen.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1860—1891.
" " 1891—in use.
" Marriages, 1860—in use.
" Burials, 1860—1892.
" " 1892—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1860—in use.

## HOPE BAGOT.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Precept Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest a the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1714—1742.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1754—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1823—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1830—in use.

Counterpart Mortgage from the Rev. L. F. V. S. De Hertiz to the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty, for securing £150 and interest (this being the sum raised for enlarging and repairing the Parsonage).

## HOPE BOWDLER.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1565—1752.
Do. from 1752 to 1755—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1780.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1783—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1811. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1814—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1843.

Various papers.

## HOPESAY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Barkers' Pass Book.

Cheque Book.

Rough Receipt and Payment Book with Financial Statements and Vouchers.

Declaration Book.

Hadden's Local Government Act.

Map of the Parish.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1678—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1759.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1759—1799. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1800—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1860. |
| ,, | ,, | 1860—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823—1865. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1897. |
| ,, | ,, | 1897—in use. |

Highway Rate Book, 1846—1862.

Highway Account Book, 1859—1861.

Vestry Minute Book, 1821—1873.

Conveyance, dated the 20th May, 1853, of Schoolhouse, from Captain C. H. Beddoes and Miss A. F. E. Beddoes to The Rev. P. B. Adams.

Grant of site for Schools. dated 18th March, 1871, from Mrs. Nichols and T. J. Nichols, Esquire, to the Minister and Churchwardens of Hopesay.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1850.

Enclosure Map and Award relating to Common Lands in the parish of Hopesay, dated 5th July, 1858—*kept at the Rectory*

## HOPTON CANGEFORD.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Vicarage—*(the Vicar is Chairman of the Parish Meeting)*, viz:—

Vestry Minute Book, commencing in 1887, and now used as Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a bureau at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1788—1811. *(NOTE.—This Register was missing when the present Vicar came into the living and was found by him at Ludlow.)*

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| Register of | Baptisms, | 1816—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1822—1834. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1815— do. |

## HOPTON CASTLE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a lock-up box at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Valuation List, dated 2nd August, 1886.
Do. do. 12th May, 1899.
Poor Rate Books from 1870 to 1900.
Overseers' Receipt and Payment Books from 1870 to 1900.
Overseers' Balance Sheets and Vouchers from 1870 to 1900.
Unpaid Rates Statement, 1852—in use.
Rate Receipt Check Book, 1890—in use.
Collector's Monthly Statement Book, 1895—in use.
Collector's Receipt and Deposit Book, 1898—in use.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1538—1733.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1734—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1812. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1838—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813—in use. |

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1842.

Brief Book, 1729—1787—*containing entries of several Briefs.*

"The Parish Book," dated 1729.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Accounts Book, 1742—1792. *The following are copies of two interesting Accounts which appear in this book for the years 1744 and 1753 respectively, viz:—*

"Paid to The Poor of the Parish of Hopton in ye year 1744.

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| "Paid the Hous Rent for Richard Burd and His Wyfe | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| "Paid for a Srowd for Martha Lowkett | | | |
| "for a Coffing for Martha Lowkett | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| "Paid to ye Clark for his fee | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| "Paid Thomas Daves and His Widow the Rent for William "Edwards | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| "Paid for maintainance and ateendance for the Widow "Pugh to Her Soninlaw | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| "Paid for a Cooffing and Srowed for Williams Edwards | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| "for Laying Him forth | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| "Paid to the Widow Edwards in His Illness and affter his "Death | 0 | 5 | 6 |
| "for making Affedaved | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| "for Sider at the funrall | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| "Paid Richard Prince ye Clark | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| "for a Pare of Shows for ye Widow Edwards Son John | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| "for 3 Yards of Cloth to make Him a Coote | 0 | 5 | 6 |
| "for 2 Ells of Hurden to make a frook | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| "for Bootens and Thrid to make the Coot and The frook | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| "Paid the Tayler for making the Coot and frook | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| | 6 | 0 | 9" |

"The Acountes of the Church Wardens of Hopton Castel for ye yare "1753.

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| For Riting the Presentment | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| "For My Jorny Put in him | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| "The Cort fies | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| "For Ringing the fift of November | 0 | 2 | 0 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| " For Bred and Whine at Crismas | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| " For Fiching it sixpenc | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| " For a quarter of Cloth for ye Serp cloth | 0 | 0 | 8½ |
| " For Washing the Serp Cloth tyes | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| " For Bred and Whine at Crismas | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| " For fiching it one Sixpenc | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| " For Riting a Copy of Redister | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| " For Put in him in | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| " For Bred and Whine at Ester | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| " For fiching it one Sixpenc | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| " For Washing the Serp Cloth | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| " The Corte fies | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| " At the Visitashon at Striton | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| " The Corte fies at Stritton | 0 | 4 | 10 |
| " The entrin the Loune in ye Booke | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| " Auguest ye 5 Bred and winde and feching it | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| " For A Booke | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| " October ye 14 Bred and Winde and feching | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| " For Mending the Beall and Pilpit | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| " For Mending the Seurples | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| " Apral ye 12 for Bred and Winde feching | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| " I Paide the Clarek fiftine Shiling | 0 | 15 | 0 |
| " For a Booke for the Maregeies | 0 | 7 | 6 |
| " For Bred and Winde and feching it | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| " For Riting the Presentment | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| | 4 | 3 | 4½" |

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Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1793—1822. *The following is a copy of an Agreement which appears on the first page of this book, viz:—*

" This Agreement sheweth that Mary Harding of Broadward widow " being with child Fathered the same upon James Cadwallader of " Broadward aforesaid and was delivered April 19 1804 of a son named " James and that the same James Cadwallader hath paid into the hands " of John Bright the then acting Overseer of the Poor of Hopton " Castle the sum of Ten Pounds Ten Shillings toward the mainteance. " of the same child and doth agree (in case the said child should live " to the age of three years) to pay to the then Overseer of the Poor of " the said Parish of Hopton Castle the sum of of Five Pounds and five " shillings more over and above the aforesaid ten Pounds ten shil- " lings already paid toward the maintenance of the said child. NOW " the said Mary Harding doth agree with and by the consent of the " said Parish of Hopton Castle aforesaid in vestry asembled to main- " tain and support the said James her son born the above date untill he

"be seven years old if he live so long, but if the said child shall die "before he be three years old then she shall receive the said sum of "Ten Pounds Ten shillings and only that or what part of it remains "unpaid at the time of the said childs death BUT if the said child "shall live untill the aforesaid Five Pounds five shillings shall be due "and payable from the said James Cadwallader that then the then "Overseer of the parish of Hopton Castle shall be liable to recover "from the said James Cadwallader or his assigns and to pay into the "hand of John Bright the said sum of Five Pounds five shillings for "the support of the Child and if the said child shall die anytime "between the age of three and seven years or live till it be seven years "old that then the said Mary Harding shall receive the collective sum "of Fifteen Pounds fifteen shillings or what part of it remains unpaid "at that time, if she continue to support the said child to that "time.

"BUT if the said Mary Harding do neglect or refuse to support "the said child according to this agreement that then this agreement "is of none effect and she is only to receive according to the time she "has kept the said child as Fifteen Pounds fifteen shillings is to seven "years in proportion or Two Pounds Five shillings for every year she "has supported the said child in witness whereof we have hereunto put "our hands this 11 day of June 1804.

"Jno. Bright,
"Mary Harding."

## HOPTON WAFERS.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box at the house of the Rector *(who is Clerk of the Parish Council)*, viz:—

Minute Book of Parish Council and Parish Meeting, 1894-1897.
Do. do. do. 1897—in use.

Contribution Order Book.
Pass Book.
Book containing forms of appointment of Overseers.
Cheque Book.
Correspondence with Local Government Board.
Various papers, receipts, financial statements, &c.

Hopton Wafers Inclosure *(part of Clee Hill)* Map and Award, dated November, 1866.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1729—1784 *(bound in a paste-board cover).*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Births, Baptisms and Burials, | | 1783—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1863. |
| ,, | ,, | 1863—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1784—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1814—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824—1890. |
| ,, | ,, | 1890—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1899. |
| ,, | ,, | 1899—in use. |

*(NOTE.—The Registers up to 1812 have been copied for the Salop Register Society and will be printed.)*

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1841, *kept at the Rectory.*

## HORDLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1686—1756.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1811. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1869— do. |

Terrier, dated 1845.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 15th May. 1849.

Miscellaneous papers.

## HUGHLEY.

*No books or documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1576—1679.

Do. 1681—1753. then Baptisms and Burials only to 1777.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1778—1812.

,, Baptisms, 1813—in use.

Register of Banns and Marriages, 1758—1812.
„ Marriages, 1812—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1814—in use.

Book containing:—
1. Churchwardens' Accounts, 1665—1784.
2. Overseers' Accounts, 1665—1743.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1784—1861. Also containing Minutes of Parish Meetings from 1827.

Overseers Account Book, 1746—1821.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st August, 1839.

## IGHTFIELD.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box at the house of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declaration of acceptance of Office Book.
Treasurer's Account Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Book of appointment of Overseers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1557—1625.
Do. 1655—1711.
Do. 1712—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1768.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1768—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1882.
„ „ 1883—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1755—1809.
„ Marriages, 1813—1838.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Burials, 1813— do.
Overseers' Account Book, 1738—1792.

Churchwardens' Account and Vestry Minute Book, 1840—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 12th January, 1847, *kept at the Rectory.*

## IRONBRIDGE.

*(Ironbridge is an ecclesiastical parish formed in 1845 from the ecclesiastical parish of Madeley.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1837—in use.
„ Marriages, 1838— do.
„ Burials, 1846— do.

Tithe Map and Award for Madeley, which includes Ironbridge, *kept in the Parish Church, Madeley.*

## JACKFIELD.

*(Jackfield is an ecclesiastical parish formed on the 7th February, 1862.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an oak chest in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1863—in use.
„ Marriages, 1863— do.
„ Burials, *(in Red Churchyard)*, 1863—in use.

London Gazette for the years 1862, 1865 and 1868, in which are advertised the boundaries of the ecclesiastical district of Jackfield and the Endowments, &c., and Correspondence as to the new Church at Jackfield. *(NOTE.—These are kept at the Offices of Messrs. Potts & Potts, Solicitors, Broseley.)*

*No Tithe Map.*

## KEMBERTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Assistant Overseer, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1660—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1756.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1756—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Banns, 1840— do.
„ Marriages, 1755—1812.
„ „ 1813—1837.

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|---|---|
| Register of Marriages, | 1837—in use. |
| „ Burials, | 1813— do. |
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1721—1761. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated November 7th, 1840.

Vestry Minute Book, 1719—1869.
Do. 1869—in use.

*(See list of documents for "Sutton Maddock," which includes "Register of Banns for Kemberton, 1823—1834.")*

## KENLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a deed box at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1682—1771. *(NOTE.—There is a gap in the entries from 1687 to 1692.)*

*At the end of the Register there are many entries of amounts collected on "Briefs"; also two Terriers of "ye dues and perquisites of ye Curacy of Kenley"; the first bearing no date, and the second dated 25th November, 1701.*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1772—1811. *(NOTE.—At the end of this Register there are memoranda relating to the repair of the Church in 1854.)*

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|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| „ Banns and Marriages, | 1773—1812. |
| „ Marriages, | 1814—1837. |
| „ „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ Burials, | 1813— do. |

Portion of a thick volume of Churchwardens' Accounts—the first leaf bearing date 1601, the last 1657. *(NOTE.—It is very mutilated.)*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 30th December, 1843, *kept at the Rectory.*

## KETLEY.

*(Ketley is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1838, from the parish of Wellington and is a ward in the parish of Wellington Rural.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1838—in use.
„ Banns, 1840— do.
„ Marriages, 1840— do.
„ Burials, 1839— do.

*No Tithe Map.*

## KINLET.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Vestry Meeting do. 1865—1894.
Petty Cash Book.
Banker's Pass Book.
Precept Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1657—1705.
Do. 1706—1754.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1755—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1868.
„ „ 1869—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813— do.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1740—1776.
Do. do. 1837—1888.
Overseers' do. 1725—1748.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1841, *kept at the Vicarage.*

*(NOTE.—The Map is in a bad condition—it was lost for some time.)*

## KINNERLEY.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following Documents, &c., are kept in an iron safe in the schoolroom, viz:—

Minute Book for the Ward Meetings (four Wards).
Parish Council Minute Book.
Do. Draft Minute Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Miscellaneous papers, correspondence, &c.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—*Some of the following Documents are kept in an iron safe and some in a wooden chest in the Vestry viz:—*

General Register, 1677—1715.
Do. 1716—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1760.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1761—1783.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| „ | Baptisms, | 1782—1813. |
| „ | „ | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1827—1854. |
| „ | „ | 1854—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1754—1794. |
| „ | „ | 1794—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1783—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1881. |
| „ | „ | 1881—in use. |

Copy of Terrier, dated 1854.
Do. do. 1856.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1663—1686. *(N.B.—Very mutilated and in many places undecipherable.)*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1683—1700.
Do. 1757—1800.
Do. 1800—1837.

Overseers' Account Book, 1770—1787.
Do. 1776—1785.
Do. 1790—1810.
Do. 1810—1838 *(the first rate levied is 4/- in the £, and subsequent rates for several years 5/4 in the £).*

Various old Books of Accounts of Churchwardens and Overseers —*unbound and torn apart.*

Surveyor of Highways Account Book, 1729—1786.

Faculty, dated 1773, for rebuilding Nave and Chancel of Church.

Assessment, dated 1735, of land in the township of Tirycoed.

*Tithe Apportionments and Maps for the following townships, viz:—*

Maesbrook Issa, dated 1846.

Argoed, Dovaston, Edgerley, and Maesbrook Ucha, dated 1847.

Kynaston, dated 1847.

Osbaston, dated 1847.

Tirycoed, dated 1847.

Sundry old Maps of the townships in the parish of Kinnerley.

Maps of the Manors of Kinnerley and Argoed with particulars of boundaries and land marks.

Inclosure Award with Maps, dated 1789, of Common Lands in the Parishes of Kinnerley and Melverley.

Vestry Minute Bock, 1786—1847.

Articles of Argreement, dated 1st January, 1781, by which Mrs. Elizabeth Trevor of Llanfyllin gave £50 to found a Charity for the Poor of the Parish.

Abstract of Title and Conveyance, dated 1773, of land called Wern Lluddyn from Charlton Leighton to Edward Sides. *(NOTE.—This refers to the same property as the previous Document.)*

Conveyance of land (for the Poor), dated 1787, called Wern Lluddyn from Edward Sides to Revd. D. Pritchard and Edward Lloyd. (Consideration, £52 10s 0d.).

Copy of Will of Hester Farmer, dated 1691.
Do. Margaret Dyas, dated 1729.

*(N.B.—These two copy Wills are on one sheet of parchment.)*

Miscellaneous papers.

## KNOCKIN.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a box at the house of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council and Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1661—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1762.

Register containing:—
{ Births and Baptisms, 1762—1794.
{ Burials, 1762—1779.

*(NOTE.—This Register contains several Terriers, dating back to 1763.)*

Register containing:—
{Burials, 1817—1830.
{Births and Baptisms, 1793—1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1756—1796.
„ Marriages, 1794—1811.
„ „ 1813—1833.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1818— do.

Surveyor of Highways Account Book, 1811—1844.

Overseers' Account Book, 1767 *(very dilapidated).*

Inclosure Award and Maps, dated 1813

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1841, *kept in a tin case in the Vestry.*

## KNOWBURY.

*(Knowbury is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed from the parishes of Bitterley and Cainham in 1840.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Marriages, 1841—in use
„ Baptisms, 1840—in use.
„ Burials, 1840—in use.

Conveyance, dated 13th October, 1881, of site for Mission Room.

London Gazette of the 23rd February, 1841, containing Order of Her Majesty in Council for the consignment of a consolidated district to St. Paul's Chapel at Knowbury, in the parishes of Bitterley and Cainham.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## KYNNERSLEY.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Rector, who is Chairman of the Parish Meeting, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Various Correspondence and Circulars, &c., received from Local Government Board.

Overseers' Account Books, *kept by the Assistant Overseer.*

Account Books of Overseers and Waywardens, 1845—1891, *kept in the Church safe.*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1691—1721.
Do. 1721—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1792.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1793—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1788.
" Marriages, 1793—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1825— do.
" Burials, 1814— do.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1840.

Extract, dated 1630, of Kynnersley Terrier taken from the Registry of the Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry.

Do. do. dated 1748.

Terrier, dated 1787.
Do. 1841.

Miscellaneous papers.

## LAWLEY.

*(Lawley is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in 1867 from the parishes of Wellington and Little Wenlock, and is a ward in the parish of Wellington Rural.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1865—in use.
" Marriages, 1865— do.
" Burials, 1865— do.

*No Tithe Map.*

## LEEBOTWOOD.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Overseer, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the house of the Vicar at Longnor, viz:—

General Register, 1548—1812. This Register contains the following note, viz:—

"You maye be pleased to take notice that those that were "registered between 1631 and 1658 were put in a paper which "John Withington kept in his house in Lybottwood untill the house "was Burnt and liquise the Register paper. But those that are "written on the next side were registered by their friends in their "own books and taken out of theire books and Register on the "other side on the 19th day of August 1685.

"By me
"Will. Evans."

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
,, Banns and Marriages, 1754—1811.
,, Marriages, 1813—1836.
,, ,, 1838—in use.
,, Burials, 1813—in use.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## LEE BROCKHURST.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, apparently from 1566 to 1706 *(kept at the Birmingham District and Counties Bank, Wem). This Register has been rebound, but is now in a bad condition, mutilated, and not in chronological order. The dates as given above may not be correct.*

The following is a copy of an interesting entry in this Register, viz:—

"Ellenora, the daughter of Groome and Jane his wife, was "baptized on Friday, beinge our Lady day and first day of yeare "according to the date of writings in Engand, 1659."

GENERAL REGISTER

Four entries of Baptisms 1699—1706, followed by this note: "Those above written were taken out of the "old Register."

Baptisms, 1715—1767, *at one end of the book.*

Baptisms, 1767—1812, *at the other end of the book.*

Four entries of Burials for 1696 and one for 1712 followed by this note "Those Burials above written were "taken out of the old Register."

Burials, 1715—1813.

Two entries of Marriages for 1698 followed by this note: "The Weddings above written were taken out of "ye old Register."

Marriages. 1716—1812.

*(NOTE.—There is a* Terrier, dated 1779, *attached to the cover of this Register.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

Overseers' Account Book, 1798—1835.
Do. 1837—1847.

Rate Book, 1837—1845.

"Agreement, dated 1st March, 1800, for dividing, allotting and "enclosing the commons and waste lands in the parish of Lee Brock-"hurst in the County of Salop."

Terrier, dated 1884.

## LEIGHTON.

*(NOTE.—Inquiries have been made of various residents in Leighton as to the Parish Meeting Documents, but none can be traced.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church viz:—

General Register, 1662—1698.(?)
Do. 1699—1740.
Do. 1741—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1786. *On page 10 of this Register (1756) is the following, viz:—*

"No. Flatt'ry! where to be born and die
"Of Rich and Poor is all the History
"Enough! if virtue fille the space between
"Proved by the Ends of Being to have been."

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1787—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1755—1811. |
| ,, | ,, | 1814—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Terrier, dated 7th September, 1841.
Do. 6th July, 1853.

Copy of Terrier, dated 1857.

Terrier, dated 1869.
Do. 1884.

Conveyance, dated 19th June, 1865, of a piece of land as a site for a School and made between Robert Gardner, Esq., and Jane Eliza Gardner his wife and The Vicar and Churchwardens of the Parish of Leighton.

Office copy Order of Exchange of land situate in the parish of Leighton and made between Robert Gardner, Esq., and Wife and The Rev. Wm. Wingfield.

Book containing Churchwardens' Accounts and Vestry Minutes, 1799—1873.

Book containing Overseers' Accounts and Easter Vestry Minutes, 1795—1843.

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 14th February, 1848.

## LILLESHALL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a chest in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Two Minute Books.

Contribution Order Book.

Two Declaration Books.

Receipt and Payment Book.

A great number of Removal Orders and miscellaneous papers, Rate Books, &c.

An Account Book called "Waste," 1812—1821.

Accounts of occasional Relief, &c., and "Poor" Weekly Pay List, 1834—1837, and several similar books.

Book called "Records of the Receipts and Payments belonging to the Poor of the Parish of Lilleshall and Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1812—1818."

Overseers' Account Book, 1742—1817.
do. 1818—1834.

Various Receipt and Payment Books.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1653—1692.
do. 1693—1764.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1764—1783.

„ Baptisms, 1784—1812.
„ „ 1813—1831.
„ „ 1831—1853.
„ „ 1853—in use.

„ Marriages, 1754—1810.
„ „ 1810—1812.
„ „ 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—1867.
„ „ 1867—in use.

„ Burials, 1784—1812 (also containing Accounts of Foxley's Charity).

„ „ 1813—1836.
„ „ 1837—1871.
„ „ 1871—in use.

Few Churchwardens', Overseers', and Constables' Accounts, 1594—1652 *(very irregular), odd sheets unbound.*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1672—1698.
do. 1765—1846. *Also containing Vestry Minutes.*
do. 1846—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1851.

## LINLEY.

*(Linley is a parish within the borough of Wenlock. The living is a Rectory annexed to Broseley.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest in the Church, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1859—in use.

*(NOTE.—The Marriages and Burials for this parish take place at Broseley.)*

## LITTLE NESS.

*(NOTE.—Little Ness, for ecclesiastical purposes, is attached to the parish of Baschurch.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Precept Book.
Book of appointment of Overseers.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Vestry Minute Book from 1869 to 1894.
Miscellaneous Papers, Receipts, &c.

*The following Documents referring to this parish are in the possession of the Vicar of Baschurch, whose district includes the chapelry of Little Ness, and will be found in the list of documents for the parish of Baschurch, viz:—*

"General Register for Little Ness, 1605—1737." *(NOTE.—The other Registers are incorporated with those of Baschurch.)*

"Tithe Map and Award of Little Ness, dated 2nd December, "1846."

"Altered Apportionment of Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes on "certain lands in the Chapelry of Little Ness, dated 19th December, "1878."

## LITTLE WENLOCK.

*(Little Wenlock is a parish within the borough of Much Wenlock.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

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| General Register, | 1689—1748. | |
| Do. | 1748—1773. | |
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1773—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1858. |
| ,, | ,, | 1858—1897. |
| ,, | ,, | 1897—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1788. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1789—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823—1893. |
| ,, | ,, | 1894—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1898. |
| ,, | ,, | 1898—in use. |

Book containing:—

Overseers' Accounts, 1818—1836.

Vestry Minutes, 1837—in use.

Fragments of Overseers' Accounts, 1703 *(tattered and in a great part undecipherable).*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1775—1870.

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 8th November, 1839, *kept at the Rectory.*

## LLANVAIRWATERDINE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a bureau in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book

Account Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

*The following are kept in a case in the schoolroom, viz:—*

Rate Books from 1895 to 1900.

Valuation List, dated June, 1898.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 25th June, 1849.

Map of Clewilsey Enclosure, dated 15th September, 1858.

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| Do. | Skybory | do. | do. | 15th October, 1872. |
| Do. | Llanfair | do. | do. | 1889. |

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1724—1765—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1782.

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| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1784—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1870. |
| ,, | ,, | 1871—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823— do. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1765—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1895. |
| ,, | ,, | 1895—in use. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1847—in use.

# LLANYBLODWEL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a chest of drawers in the house of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Book of Declarations of acceptance of Office.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

Agreement, dated the 14th January, 1897, between Viscount Newport and Llanyblodwel Parish Council for the annual tenancy of an Allotment.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Documents, &c., are kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1695—1756.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1757—1809. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1809—1813. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1842. |
| ,, | ,, | 1842—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1755—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1826—1894. |
| ,, | ,, | 1894—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1867. |
| ,, | ,, | 1867—in use. |

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| Vestry Minute Book, | 1827—1860. |
| Do. | 1860—1894. |
| Overseers' Account Book, | 1709—1762. |
| Do. | 1762—1783. |
| Do. | 1795—1833. |
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1712—1776. |
| Do. | 1776—1794. |
| Do. | 1814—1823. |
| Do. | 1831—1893. |

Deed of Trust, dated 24th August, 1753, of the School at Llanyblodwel.

Conveyance of a site for Schools, dated 17th September, 1856, from the Earl of Bradford and Viscount Newport to Richard Jones Croxon, to the use of the Trustees of the Llanyblodwel Schools.

Miscellaneous papers, Railway Maps, &c.

Inventory of Church Goods.

Terrier, dated 7th August, 1749.
Do. do. 17th July, 1791.

Map (for Incumbent's Tithe), dated 1803.

Tithe Map and Award of Blodwell Township, dated 1842.
Do. Bryn do. do. 1842.
Do. Abertanat do. do. 1843.
Do. Llynclys do. do. 1848.

Altered Tithe Apportionment and Map, dated 1850.
Do. do. of certain lands, dated 1869.
Do. do. *(with addition made)*, dated 1870.

Plan of Vicarage grounds.

Large number of miscellaneous papers.

## LLANYMYNECH.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following Documents, &c., are kept in a bureau in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Cheque Book.

Various Rate Books *(held by the Clerk as Assistant Overseer).*

Petty Cash Book.

Hadden & Best's Handbook on the Local Government Act, 1894.

*The following Documents, &c., are kept in an oak chest in the Parish Room, viz:—*

Treasurer's Bond.

Declarations of acceptance of Office Book.

Overseers' Account Book, 1818—1850.

Vestry Minute Book, 1819—1894.

Ordnance Map—Llanymynech *(the joint property of Carreghofa and Llanymynech).*

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following Documents, &c., are kept in an iron safe in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, from 1666 to *(apparently)* 1767. *NOTE.—This Register contains several entries of sums raised by Briefs. One, dated 5th February, 1692, is as follows:—*

> "Collected towards ye redemption of captives four shillings "and two pence."

General Register, 1773—1797.

Register containing:—

Deaths and Burials, 1797—1812, at one end of Book, and Births and Baptisms, 1797—1812, at the other end.

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1866. |
| " | " | 1867—in use. |
| " | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813—1898. |
| " | " | 1898—in use. |

Conveyance, dated 10th May, 1894, from the Earl of Bradford to the Minister and Churchwardens of Llanymynech of site for School.

Account Book from 1800 to 1837 of Surveyor of Highways and containing Minutes of Vestry Meetings called to decide amount to be levied for the repair of the Highways.

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1858 *(kept in a cupboard at the Rectory).*

Inclosure Award, made under 6 and 7 Will. IV. and dated 2nd August, 1845 (on 30 large skins of Parchment) of lands in certain Townships in the Parishes of Llanymynech, Llanrhaidr-yn-Mochnant, Llanarmon-mynyddmawr, Llanorinon-dyffrn-Ceiriog, Llansilin, and Llancudwaladr *(kept in a tin case at the Rectory).*

## LONGDON-UPON-TERN.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Terrier, dated 1884.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 28th August, 1839.

*The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—*

General Register, 1692—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1813.

Register of Marriages, 1758—1810.
" " 1814—1837.
" " 1837—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1768—1811.

## LONGFORD.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

Minute Book.

Book of notices of appointment of Overseers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1603. *The following note appears on the cover at the end of this Register, viz:—*

"Here wants a Register of all Mr. Weddors his time Mr. "Howlord time before ye wars and Mr. Leases his time yt is to "say from ye year 1603 to 1654 yt is to say for 51 years which "wch cannot be found supposed to be lost in our uncivill wars or "times of Rebellion."

General Register, 1654—1699, *attached to the former. The following is an extract from this Register, viz:—*

"(169$\frac{3}{4}$ Elizabeth ye Wife of John Jervis was buried ye "twenty-fifth day of January sd. Thomas Jervis made oath yt she "was wraped in not other materiall butt wool.)"

General Register, 1703—1791.
Do. 1741—1781.

Register, purporting to be a *copy* of that from 1741—1782. From 1783—1812, it is the actual Register of Baptisms for the Parish. *This Register contains many interesting entries relating to parochial matters.*

*N.B.—In 1783 the following note was made, viz:—*"The "Duty on the Registry of *Christenings* commenced October the "second, 1793."

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1813—1842.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1724—1754.
Do. 1754—1810.

Miscellaneous papers.

Terrier, dated 1683, of lands belonging to the Church of Longford.

True copy of the Terrier of the lands belonging to "the Church at Longford." *(N.B.—Date obliterated, but apparently earlier than the above.)*

"A true copy of the 'Terrier' of the lands belonging to 'the Church.'" Dated 1759.

Terrier of the Rectory of Longford, dated 1828.

Terrier, dated 1841.

Tithe Map and Award for the parish of Longford, dated 24th December, 1838.

Tithe Map and Award for Stockton in the parish of Longford, dated 13th December, 1848.

## LONGNOR.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Clerk of the Parish Meeting, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1586—1685. *(N.B.—There are several loose sheets purporting to contain the names of each of the inhabitants of the Parish during the first 20 or 30 years of the last century, with various notes as to their departure from the Parish and as to the places to which they migrated, &c.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1666—1812.
„ „ 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1838—in use.

*(NOTE.—The Burial ground of this parish is Leebotwood Churchyard.)*

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## LOPPINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe in the room where the Parish Council Meetings are held, viz.:—

Minute Book.
Tresurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Bank Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Correspondence from Charity Commissioners, &c.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1654—1695.
Do. 1745—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—1859.
" " 1859—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1755—1815.
" Marriages, 1813—1841.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1891.
" " 1893—in use.

Conveyance, dated the 23rd October, 1851, of site and premises of the Loppington School.
Churchwardens' Account Book and Minute Book, 1793—1844.
Overseers' Account Book, 1713—1755.
Settlement Orders.
Apprenticeship Indentures.
Tithe Maps and Awards, dated 1840, of the townhips of Loppington, Noneley, and Burlton.

## LOUGHTON.

*(Loughton is a chapelry in the ecclesiastical parish of Chetton but annexed to the Rectory of Wheathill.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at Wheathill Rectory, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1821—1858.
" " 1862—in use.

# LUDFORD.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in an old bureau at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Book of Parish Councillors' Declarations.
Contribution Order Book.
Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book (not produced).
Treasurer's Bond for £100.

Statement of Account of "Mrs. Susannah Glasses Charity" (the only Parochial Charity), consisting of an Investment of (about) £200 in Consols, on which a sum of £5 15s. 4d. is paid by the Charity Commissioners.

"The income of this Charity is distributed in sums of 10/- to "eleven of the most necessitous of the Poor of the Parish of Ludford; "to be laid out in the purchase of coals and warm clothing."

There are also the following Charities, which are treated as ecclesiastical Charities.

"Bread and Beef Charity,"
Annual Income, £2 15s. 0d.

"Adney's Charity," for the Sick and Needy,
Annual Income, £1 12s. 4d.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following Documents are kept in a chest in the Church Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 27th October, 1643, to 1st January, 1755, and of Baptisms and Burials from 1st January, 1755, to January, 1813 (complete, except from 1st March, 1744, to 12th May, 1745).

General Register, 1755—1783.

Register of Marriages, 3rd May, 1783, to 1st January, 1813.
" " 12th February, 1813, to 8th May, 1837.
" Banns of Marriage, 1838—1877.

Book containing certain entries with reference to Ludford Alms houses and Lane's Asylum.

Faculty, dated 7th June, 1866, for re-seating and restoring the Parish Church.

Miscellaneous Receipts, Correspondence, &c.

Vestry Minute Book, 1809—1888.

The Registers of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials now in use are *kept in a cupboard in the Vestry.*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 31st December, 1847, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## LUDLOW *(Borough).*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1642.

Do. 1643—1685.

Do. 1685—1719.—Note.—There is a Terrier at the end of this Register, dated 1735.

General Register, 1719—1755.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1756—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1829. |
| ,, | ,, | 1830—1846. |
| ,, | ,, | 1846—1853. |
| ,, | ,, | 1853—1864. |
| ,, | ,, | 1865—1877. |
| ,, | ,, | 1877—1894. |
| ,, | ,, | 1894—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1788. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1789—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1858. |
| ,, | ,, | 1858—1876. |
| ,, | ,, | 1876—1891. |
| ,, | ,, | 1891—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1836. |
| ,, | ,, | 1836—1857. |
| ,, | ,, | 1857—1877. |
| ,, | ,, | 1877—in use. |

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1608—1701.

Do. 1708—1748—containing many entries not relating to accounts, *i.e.*, parish matters generally.

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 17th November, 1846.—*Kept at the Rectory.*

## LYDBURY NORTH.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk at the Walcot Estate Offices, viz:—

Minute Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Declaration Book.

Attendance Book.

Treasurer's Cash Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

Parker's "Parish Councillor."

Nash and Allport's "How to keep Minutes."

Miscellaneous Papers.

Survey and particulars of the parish of Lydbury North by Mr. Wm. Eyton in 1841. Map of the parish to accompany same.

Various deeds relating to charities. Poor's Estate about £46 10s. 0d. per annum *(a mixed charity; partly ecclesiastical and partly parochial).* Shipman's charity; £12 per annum paid to Managers of the Schools.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1625—1805 *(very fine book in excellent state of preservation).*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1834—in use.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1814—1841. This book also contains an account of the charities from 1841 to 1894

Vestry Minute Book, 1721—1828.
do. 1828—1852.
do. 1852—1894.

A book containing copies of deeds and writings relating to the Poor's Estate.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1563—1714. *Very few entries from 1642 to 1647, and the following Memorandum appears after the year 1643, viz:—*

"These yeers being times of wars the Register was neglected." 1643. 1644. 1645. 1646. 1647."

General Register, 1714—1746.
Do. 1747—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1797.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1797—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1842.
„ „ 1842—1873.
„ „ 1873—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1797.
„ „ 1797—1812.
„ „ 1813—1836.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—1863. *(N.B.—Part of the Burials of 1861, the whole of 1862, and part of 1863, are entered on the inside of the cover at the end of this Register, and are signed by the Vicar.)*

Register of Burials, 1863—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1847.

*The following interesting notes of records in Churchwardens' Register have been made by the Vicar, viz:—*

EXPENSES CONNECTED WITH THE CHURCH.

1618. For boordes nayles and making the stairs into the Pulpit, 3/-.

For digging the Stone and pavinge the Churchporch, 2/8.

1620. For drawing upp the timber and pulling upp of the Bells at . . . . tymes s. 3 : d. 6

CONCERNING PREACHERS.

May 22, 1621. Given to a preacher being Whitsunneday s. 3 : d. 4.

*(NOTE.—Many Records are to be found similar to the above. The sums given to the Preacher vary from 2/8 to 5/- thus:—*

August 1624. To a preacher s. 3 : d. 6.

„ To another preacher borne in Clun s. 2 : d. 8.

1623. Layd out to a preacher on Palm Sunday s. 4/-

1628. To one Mr. Powell of Shrewsbury a preacher s 5/-).

May 1621. For the Book of Common Prayer s. 13 : d. 4.

1623 31 July. Layd out about the last of July when wee were summoned to the Court for want of the booke of homilies s. 2 : d. 6.

## CONCERNING THE CHURCH ARMOUR.

1623. Pd. to Mr. Walcot money that hee Layd out to Edw. Brooke the Cuttler for dressinge the Armour 3 s. : 4 d.

Octr. 6, 1625. Memoranda the daie and yeere above written that we the Churchwardens and sidmen of the said parish of Lydbury have agreed with Edward Brooke Cutler to dress and set in order at hies owne charge our Church Armour for 4 s. : 6 d. and for the same to keepe it in order this yeare 1625 and afterwardes to keepe the same in good and sufficient order for 4/- s. yearlie to be paid at Michaelmas.

*NOTE.—The above annual charge of 4/- was regularly paid to the cutler up to 1640, when it seems to have been discontinued, and in 1662 we find an entry as follows :—*" For old armour sould at 1d. per pound 4 s. : 0 d." *This is the last entry on the subject.*

1625. For an Iron Chayne to hange Jewelld worke 6d.

1635. For Claspes for Jewelled worke 10d.

## GENERAL EXPENSES CONCERNING THE CHURCH.

1624. To the Joyner for the New Pulpit £3 : 3 : 4.

" For sweepinge the Church 2 d."

1624. For a Table of the degrees of affinity and consanguinitie 4 d.

1627. For a booke of Articles 4d.

1628. Pd. for an hower Glasse 10d.

1631. For a newe Beere 7 s.

For a newe surpless and thread and washing £2 : 2 : 0.

For a cover for the ffont and for a Dyall post 7 : 6.

For a Dyall to Mr. Walcot 2 s. : 4 d.

1637. For a Communion Table 13 s.

1639. Pd. Thomas Burd for whippinge dogges out of Church 2 s. : 6 d. *NOTE.—Mention of the above payment frequently recurs for more than 150 years. In 1793 we find that 2s. 4d. was* " Pd. for a Whip and a Bell for the use of the Church"; *and the large sum of £1 : 3 : 4 was expended on* " A Coat and Waistcoat for Dog-man," and

For a pair of Shoes for do. 7 : 6.

1652. For an Hower glasse in ye Church, 10d.

1669. Pd. for ye Booke of Cannons 1s 6d.

1679. For a Flagon for the Communion Table 4s. 6d.

For drawing the Kings Arms £1 5s. 6d.

1684. For a Book concerning the plott 1s.

1794. In this year one Charles Hamond stole the Church plate and escaped with it to Birmingham. One of the Churchwardens followed him thither and captured him The expense of the whole proceedings cost the Parish more than £50 os. od.

Among other entries of Parish expenses appear the following :—

1618. To Willm. Owens for killing 3 ffoxes and showinge theire heades 3s. *(NOTE.—Foxes heads were paid for at the same rate up to 1786).*

1624. For relief for 3 soldiers 1s.

1625. For a poore Irish woman 2d.

1630. For Gaole money and maymd soldiers £1 18s. od.

*(NOTE.—For these objects an annual charge, varying in amount, was made for many years).*

1626. To the Soldier's Child that went furth for the Parish 3s. 4d.

1627. Paid to John Bluck and Richard Anthony towards puttinge forward of a soldier to the warrs 13s. 4d.

1627. Laid out to poore Irish people 1s.

1633 Pd. to Mr. Jones for the sicke people in Shrewsbury 5s

1634 To Jane Phipps to helpe her to the new found well near Wigmor 1s.

1637. For the Relief of the visited people of Clun £1 os. od.

*(NOTE.—There are entries concerning the bequests of Anne Hide, Widow, of Bower Place, Kent, lately deceased, and Alice Walcot, of London, the former the sister and the latter the mother of Mr. Humphrey Walcot.)*

1642. In this year Mr. Humphrey Walcot of Walcot founded a sort of Industrial School to teach 13 poor girls of the Parish to spin flax and wool They were taught in an outhouse at Walcot, and a Widow was paid to instruct them. There are several long entries concerning this.

Dated May 26th, 1662, appears the Will of John Shipman "an old servant of the house of Walcot," who left two hundred pounds to found a free school for "the Parish of Lidbury only." He gave this sum of money into the trust of Mr. John Walcot, of Walcot.

In 1661 (and many following years) appears this entry, "For a trained soldier 8d"

1664. For a Silver Bowle £3 2. 6. *(N.B.—This is not to be found among the Church Plate, but it is the same date as the Chalice.)*

1666. A Weekes Contribution for ye Militia 6d. *(NOTE.—This again is an entry which frequently recurs.)*

Welsh names appear from time to time, thus:—

1653. Thomas ap Lewis for killing two ffoxes in Acton Wood and bringing their heades to Church 2s.

1624. To Caddr. ap Owen for carrying home Mr. Walcot's ladders 6d.

1686. There is the entry of the names of twenty poor people who received each a "proportionate part of Fifty shillings forfeited by "John Walcot, Esq., for burying his Lady in Linnen contrary to the "Act of Parliamt. intituled an Act for burying in Wollen." The same disbursed amongst them on the 11th of Aprill, Ano. Dmi. 1686.

From the entries in the Churchwardens' Accounts, it seems that the Holy Communion was administered four times in the year, viz:—at Christmas, Easter, Whitsuntide, and Michaelmas, and the number of Communicants must have been large, judging from the wine provided ex. gr. in 1665 there is the following entry, "For 6 bottles of Jack "for ye Communicants at Xtmas. 0 : 12 : 0."

From 1625 and onward for many years there is an entry "Thomas "Knight for a Carroll 4d."

The Church Bells were re-cast in 1680. There are two entries respecting this in the Accounts: "Layd out in drinke upon the Bell "founder when we did agree with him," and "at the taking down of "the Bells to making their drinke."

In the Parish Accounts of Lydbury North the amounts of money given at different times to the sick and poor of the Parish are very carefully detailed all through the volume.

## LYDHAM.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in the drawer of a table in the Church, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1596—1660 *(first 2 or 3 pages undecipherable).*

Register of Burials in Wollen, 1679—1687. From this latter date until 1711 the Register appears to be a general one.

General Register, 1690—1703.
Do. 1704—1750.
Do. 1751—1761, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1678—1688. *(N.B.—This Book contains an entry, August 18th, 1678, giving the names of persons in the Parish who contributed towards the building of St. Paul's Church, London. 13 Contributors—total of contributions, 3s. 1d.)*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1763—1781. *Also containing entries of Briefs collected from 1727—1761.*

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Aston in the parish of Lydham, dated the 25th January, 1845, *kept at the office of Messrs. Clark & Co., Solicitors, Ludlow.*

## LYNEAL-CUM-COLEMERE.

*(Lyneal-cum-Colemere is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in 1869 from the parishes of Ellesmere and Welshampton.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an old safe in the Vestry, viz.:—

Register of Baptisms, 1870—in use.
" Marriages, 1871—do.
" Burials, 1870—do.

Terrier, dated 1884.

## MADELEY.

*(Madeley is a parish within the borough of Wenlock).*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1645—1672. The following is a copy of an entry on the first page of this Register, viz:—

"Wm. Careless was buried the 14th day of April all wch. time "the Church was garrisoned by a squad of the Parliament com-"manded by Captain Harrington."

*(NOTE. This Register contains entries of the burials of various members of the Wolfe family who hid Charles II. in a barn attached to their house at Madeley.)*

General Register, 1672—1690.
Do. 1696—1706. *(N.B.—This Register also contains a duplicate of the first Register.)*

General Register *(Parchment)*, 1695—1719. *(NOTE.—At the end of this Register there are three entries of Births for the years 1728, 1731 and 1733 respectively. There is also a leaf of paper stuck on at the end of the Parchment containing several entries of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1726—1795. The following is a copy of a note appearing in the front of this Register, viz:—

"Memorandum that the Register from 1719 to 1726 is lost as "known to all the parish."

Register of Baptisms, 1796—1812.
" " 1813—1828.
" " 1829—1841.
" " 1842—1863.
" " 1863—1885.
" " 1885—in use.
" Marriages, 1728—1754.
" " 1754—1765.
" " 1765—1787. *N.B.—This Register contains the following statement interleaved, viz:—*

"An Account of the blemish in the 107 page of the Register.

"I Nathaniel Gilbert officiating Minister being yet a novice in "registering Marriages having made a blunder in Registering the "Marriage of Robert Yates &c. and not considering the con-"sequences of defacing a Register thought I might hide my "blunder by cutting and tearing the bottom of page 107, as no "marriage was registered on the back of that page. I am now "sorry for my rashness which I acknowledge by this Memorandum, "lest somebody should be suspected of having fraudulently "mangled the register. Witness my hand this 9th day of Novem-"ber, 1783.

"After proper enquiry we set our hands to the truth of the "above memorandum.

"sd. John Fletcher, Vicar,
"John Hatton, Clerk,
"John Edwards, Deputy Clerk,

"in whose presence the page was "torn in the Chancel.

"signed. Nathaniel Gilbert."

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| Register of Marriages, | | 1788—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1835. |
| ,, | ,, | 1835—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1850. |
| ,, | ,, | 1850—1868. |
| ,, | ,, | 1868—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1726—1807. |
| ,, | ,, | 1808—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1833. |
| ,, | ,, | 1834—1843. |
| ,, | ,, | 1844—1852. |
| ,, | ,, | 1852—1861. |
| ,, | ,, | 1862—1870. |
| ,, | ,, | 1870—1879. |
| ,, | ,, | 1880—1892. |
| ,, | ,, | 1892—in use. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 11th February, 1847.
Old Rate Book.
Railway Maps.
Miscellaneous papers.

## MAINSTONE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Church, viz.:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the parish chest in the Vestry, viz:—

"A true Register of Burialls in Wollen August the first "Anno Dmi 1678—1690." *(N.B.—There are many entries of sums raised on Briefs for various purposes entered at the end of this Register.)*

General Register *(very badly mutilated)*, 1604 to (?) 1640. This Register contains a list of Churchwardens, Sidesmen, and Overseers.

Book containing Accounts of the Wardens, Overseers of the Poor, and Supervisors of the Wages, 1648—1712.

Book, 1713—1880, containing Churchwardens' Accounts, collections for Churches, copies of Wills, and distribution of Charities. *N.B.—This book is very interesting. It contains a record of very many* "Collections of Briefs."

In 1710 there is the following:—"Collected for ye Reformed "Episcopal Churches in Great Poland and Polish Russia, '01" *(as this amount is in the £ column it is presumably £1.)*

Also—"For Oyster Dredgers of Medway in Corn Kent, April "5th, 1742."

*The following is an interesting account for the year, 1801:—*

"The Accounts of John Homes, one of the Churchwardens "for the Parish of Mainstone, for the year 1801.

"Disbursed.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pd the late Warden ... | 1 | 1 | 5½ |
| For Bread ... ... | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| For wine ... ... | 0 | 17 | 2½ |
| Pd the Mason ... ... | 0 | 1 | 2½ |
| A Proclamation ... | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Parchment ... ... | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| A Prayer for the King ... | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Pd Apparitor ... ... | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Mending a Box ... | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| A Prayer for the King ... | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| for writing the Register... | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Pd the singing Master ... | 0 | 16 | 8 |
| The Clarke ... ... | 0 | 8 | 4 |
| The Dogman ... ... | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Expences 3 Visitations ... | 0 | 15 | 0 |
| for writing my street ... | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Repairing the Bier Cloth | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Pd the Apparitor ... ... | 0 | 4 | 7 |
| Briefs ... ... | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Disbursed | 5 | 2 | 10½ |
| Recd. by Street | 3 | 18 | 11½ |
| due to me | 1 | 3 | 11 |

Account of Overseers of the Poor, 1769—1820, *which contains the following interesting and pathetic entry, viz:—*

"November 21/1773.

"Agreed in publick Vestry held on this day in the Parish "Church of Mainstone that John Jones a poor boy maintained by "the parish is to be settled as here followeth, vizt.:—that every "householder shall keep this boy for half a year according to "Lotts—first half year to be allowed fifteen shillings second half "year twelve shillings and six pence and for every half year after "two shillings and six pence less till he shall be able to gett his "living; only ye Parish to keep him in whole clothing and "reasonably to be alowd if ye boy shall be sick."

*(N.B.—This is signed by various persons, and a list of those persons who were to have the boy for the succeeding 12 half years is given.)*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1685—1712, *containing many very interesting entries.*

Highway Account Rate Book, 1855—1865.

Book, dated 1802—1821. Opening statement "An Assessment "of one shilling in the pound made upon the inhabitants and "occupiers of land in the Parish of Mainstone for the relief of the "Poor of the said Parish for the year 1802, being the *third* "Assessment." *(NOTE.—This Book contains nothing but Assessments.)*

Rate Books, 1836—1848.

Conveyance, dated 10th and 24th June, 1673, of 3 acres of land more or less situate in the township of Mainstone, in a place called Cwm-y-Llan, for the use of the Poor in the Parish of Mainstone.

Receipt, dated 27th June, 1673, for £18 from John Bright the younger, for the purchase of a piece of meadow conveyed by an Indenture bearing date the 24th June, 1673.

Lease, dated 13th March, 1720, of the above, conveying it to the Rev. John Gifford, Rector, his Executors, &c., from the date thereof until the full term of 500 years thence, yielding and paying for the use of the poor yearly the sum of £1 10s. 0d., without any deduction or abatement.

Lease, dated 28th April, 1727, between John Walcot of Walcot, and John Heycock of Kevencallonog.

Conveyance, dated 1st May, 1741, from William Heycock, son and heir of John Heycock, of the unexpired part of Lease of 99 years to the Overseers of the Poor.

Lease, dated 16th January, 1747, between John Walcot and Francis Jones.

Conveyance, dated 4th May, 1767, between Francis Jones and Overseers of the Poor, conveying remainder of the Lease.

Release and Conveyance, dated respectively the 19th and 20th September, 1734, and 20th April, 1735, of a parcel of land called Little Meadow, in the township of Mainstone, for the use of the Poor.

Conveyance, dated 2nd April, 1740, from the Revd. John Gifford to his successors, of a cottage and garden situate near the Church.

Bond, dated 31st March, 1769, from Richard Beamond to the Revd. Samuel Dr. Edwards, Rector of Mainstone, for the sum of £19, and interest after the rate of £4 per cent. per annum.

A variety of Affiliation and Settlement Warrants.

Terrier, dated the 17th May, 1607, of the Glebe Lands belonging to the Parish Church of Mainstone, "Testifying that there is *not any* Glebe Land.

Tithe Map of the township of Castlewright, dated 24th June, 1841.

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| Do. | do. | Edenope, dated 31st Decr., 1840. |
| Do. | do. | Reilth, dated 19th Decr., 1848. |
| Do. | do. | Mainstone and Knuckshadwell, dated 19th Decr., 1848. |

## MALINSLEE (or DAWLEY NOVA).

*(Malinslee, or Dawley Nova, is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1843, from the parish of Dawley Magna.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1840—1848. |
| ,, | ,, | 1848—1871. |
| ,, | ,, | 1871—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1830—1844. |
| ,, | ,, | 1844—1890. |
| ,, | ,, | 1890—in use |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1837—1876. |
| ,, | ,, | 1877—1894. |
| ,, | ,, | 1895—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1835—1846. |
| ,, | ,, | 1846—in use. |

Miscellaneous papers.

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

## MARTON.

*(Marton is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the parish of Chirbury in 1860, and comprises the townships of Marton and Stockton.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1860—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1860— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1860— do. |

*No Tithe Map.*

# MELVERLEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a tin box in the schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Miscellaneous papers.
Letters, &c.
Book containing particulars of Acreage and Rateable Value of the lands in the Parish.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1723—1754—then Baptisms and Burials to 1784. *(NOTE.—This Register has three Terriers at the end of it.)*

Register of Births and Baptisms, 1785—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1811. *N.B.—This Register contains the following entry, viz:—*

" Banns of Marriage between Matthew Dodd and Eliner
" Foster, both of this Parish were legally published on three
" several Sundays and no objection made

" This morning I have put a Tye
" No man can put it faster
" Between Matthew Dodd a man of God
" And modest Molly Foster.

" November 17th in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hun-
" dred and sixty-six

" sd. John Lewis, Clk."

*(NOTE.—No Witnesses to this Marriage.)*

Register of Marriages, 1813—1836.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1785—1812.
" " 1813—in use.

Tithe Apportionment, Award, and Tithe Map, dated 1857.
Inclosure Award of Allotments in the Manors of Kinnerley and Melverley.

Reference Sheet to Inclosure Map, dated March 25th, 1860.

Map of the Manor of Melverley dated 25th August, 1829.

*(See list of documents for "Kinnerley," which includes* "Inclosure
" Award with Maps, dated 1789, of Common Lands in the parishes of
" Kinnerley and *Melverley.")*

# MEOLE BRACE.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following documents are kept in an oak chest in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Precept Book.
Two Cheque Books.
Miscellaneous papers.
Correspondence.
Ordnance Survey of parish—25 inch (10 Sheets).

*The following documents are kept in the bottom drawer of the parish chest in the Belfry, viz:—*

Bastardy Ledger, 1823—1837.
Poor Rate Books, 1828—1869.
Church, County, and Borough Rate Books, 1847 and 1848.
Borough and County Rate Books, 1848—1869.
Highway Rate Books, 1852—1868.
'Occasional Relief' Books, 1820—1829.
Poor Account, 1840—1861.
Weekly Pay Book, 1847—1862.
Relieving Officer's Receipt and Payment Books, 1862—1867.
Do. Application and Report Book, 1862—1870.
Out-door Relief Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Churchwardens' and Overseers' Expenditure Book, 1862—1885.
Valuation Book.
Collecting and Depositing Book.

*The following documents, etc., are kept in second drawer of the said parish chest, viz:—*

Poor Rate Books, 1870—1889.
Borough and County Rate Books, 1870—1884.
Highway Rate Books, 1874—1883.
Surveyors' Book, 1875—1878.
Receipt and Deposit Book, 1886—1889.
Packet of vouchers.

*The following documents, etc., are kept in a cupboard in the said parish chest, viz:—*

Poor Rate Books, 1890—1896.
Sanitary do. 1891—1896.
Counterpart Cheque Books, 1891 to present time.
Collector's Monthly Statement, 1887—1896.

Collecting and Deposit Books, January, 1895—March, 1897.
Church Rate Books from 1839 to 1868, *kept in chest.*

Tithe Apportionment, dated 26th January, 1844, and *copy* of Tithe Map. *The following extract taken from the Parish Council Minute Book explains itself, viz:—*

"10th March, 1898.—Tithe Map. This Map was inspected "and its custody considered, and it was decided that Mr. J. T. "Bather (of The Square, Shrewsbury), be entrusted with its "custody on certain conditions *(NOTE.—The conditions were not "stated).* This Council with thanks accept the offer made by the "Vice-Chairman to make a copy of the Tithe Map on tracing cloth, "which copy would be at the service of the Council when "required."

We were informed that the Map was at one time attached to the Award and we have been in communication with Mr. Bather on the subject, and he states "that the Map, to my knowledege, has never "been attached to the Tithe Award."

*It seems desirable that the Map and Award should be kept by the Parish Council.*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.** Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1681—1744.
Do. 1745—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—1860.
" " 1860—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1791.
" " 1792—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.
Vestry Minute Book, 1856—in use.

## MIDDLE.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Book of appointments of Overseers.
Receipt and Payment Book, 1895—1900.
Do. do. 1900—in use.
Financial Statements.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1541—1617. *This Register is written entirely in Latin, the earlier portion purports to be a copy only. Each page is subscribed by the Minister and Churchwardens.*

*(N.B.—The present Rector, the Rev. Canon G. H. Egerton, has transcribed a large portion of this Register.)*

General Register, 1617—1645. *This Register is also written in Latin.*

General Register, 1681—1758.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1759—1799. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1799—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1842. |
| ,, | ,, | 1842—1883. |
| ,, | ,, | 1883—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1793. |
| ,, | ,, | 1793—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1800—1823. |
| ,, | ,, | 1823—1870. |
| ,, | ,, | 1870—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1799—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1856. |
| ,, | ,, | 1856—in use. |

"Parish Allowance Book," 1745—1819; *also containing Vestry Minutes.*

Overseers' Account Book, 1735—1798.
Do. do. 1798—1823.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1762—1787.
Do. do. 1820—in use.

*The following are kept at the Rectory, viz:—*

Highway Account Book for the Township of Balderton, 1789—1836.

Bundle of Indentures of Apprentices bound under Gough's Charity.

Two Deeds, dated the 3rd and 4th May, 1753, respectively, relating to the conveyance of land at Wolverley to the poor of Myddle.

Trust Deed, dated 16th June, 1831, as to the Bridgewater Charity for the benefit of the poor of the parishes of Myddle and Hadnall.

Copy Order in Council, dated 22nd October, 1856, providing for the separation, ecclesiastically, of the parish of Hadnall from the parish of Myddle.

Tithe Apportionment and Map of the parish of Myddle, which includes the parish of Hadnall, dated the 28th December, 1839.

Map of the parish of Myddle shewing exchange of land for Tithe Rent Charge on Bridgewater Estate, dated 28th October 1841.

Altered Apportionment of Rent Charge in the parish of Myddle, dated the 19th March, 1897.

Book (1691—1761) endorsed "The Parish Booke of Middle or A "Booke containing the Agreemts., Orders, Leawans, and Accompts of "the Parishioners and Church Officers off the said Parish.

"1691.

"Thomas Lloyd, } Wardens."
"Edward Cooper, }

*This Book also contains, inter alia:—*

Entries of Briefs collected.

List of Churchwardens from 1690 to 1759.

"Schedule of Bonds, Certificates, and other Documents in the "custody of the Churchwardens in the year 1708."

"An account of the names of such persons as came and reside "within the parish of Middle by Certificates."

*(N.B.—This Book was purchased by the Rector about a year ago from a second-hand bookseller in Shrewsbury.)*

"An Account of the ould seats, and the new additional seats in "Middle Church sence itt was Rebilt in the year 1744." *The following note appears at the end of this Document, viz:—*

"This is a trou account of all the seats and of all that Have "settig In Middle Church before this Church was Rebilt and since "as I can Larn and no one wronged as I Do know except my "selef formerly In my Father's time."

*(N.B.—This Document was found a short time ago and restored to the Rector through The Revd. Cooper Wood.)*

A large book in which are pasted:—

A Terrier, dated 3rd October, 1699.

London Gazettes.

Copies of Wills, various letters and other documents relating to Church matters generally.

*On the first page of this book appears the following, viz:—*

"I give and bequeath this book with all papers, matters and "things herein appended to the Rector of Middle for the time "being for ever. Francis Henry Egerton,
"1st July, 1809."

*To this has been appended, apparently by the Parish Clerk, viz:—*

"The Right Honourable and Rev. Francis Henry Egerton, "Earl of Bridgewater, gave this book with all papers, matters and "things herein appended to the Rector of Middle for the time "being for ever."

## MIDDLETON.

*(Middleton is an ecclesiastical parish formed in 1845, and comprises the townships of Middleton, Priest Weston, Rorrington, and Wilmington within the parishes of Chirbury, Shropshire, and Churchstoke, Montgomeryshire.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Church, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1846—1896. |
| " | " | 1896—in use. |
| " | Marriages, | 1846— do. |
| " | Banns of Marriages, | 1865— do. |
| " | Burials, | 1847— do. |

## MIDDLETON SCRIVEN.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory. viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1728—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812. The following entry appears in the year 1796, viz:—

"Buried Samuel Son of Richd. and Anne Cork was buried Decr "the 2d He was killed by the kick of a Horse, which was forfeited "to the Lord of the Manor as a Deodand"

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1815—in use. |
| " | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1811. |
| " | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| " | " | 1843—in use. |
| " | Banns, | 1866— do. |
| " | Burials, | 1814— do. |

Exchange of glebe lands, dated 1851—confirmed by the Charity Commissioners.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1843.

Miscellaneous papers.

*(See list of documents for "Chetton," which includes a copy of the* "Chetton, Glazeley, Deuxhill, and Middleton Scriven Articles of "Association for the prosecution of Felons.")

## MILSON.

*(Milson is a chapelry annexed to the Rectory of Neen Sollars.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Rector, who is Chairman of the Parish Meeting, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a commode. at the Rectory, viz.:—

"Register Book of the Parish of Milson, containing all Weddings "and Christenings since March 24th, 1706—last entry December, "1812." The inside of the cover of this Register contains the following interesting note, viz:—

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| "Baptized in Milson—Males from 1558 to 1658 | .084 |
| "Baptized in Milson—Females yt. time | .080 |
| "Burials there in yt. time | 125 |
| "Marriages there in yt. time | 023" |

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1756—1809.
" Marriages, 1816—1848.
" " 1839—in use.
" Burials, 14th November, 1678—1812.
" " 1813—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 30th September, 1847.

*(N.B.—See note in the list of documents for "Neen Sollars" with reference to Burials in Woollen.)*

## MINSTERLEY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe in the Parish Room, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Receipt and Payment Book.

Precept Book.
Declaration Book.
Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Letter Press.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**

Two attempts have been made to obtain an inspection of the documents in the custody of the Vicar of Minsterley, but without success. The following are copies of post cards written by him in reply to letters asking for appointments to inspect his documents, viz:—

"12th June, 1901.

"*The Revd. the Vicar* of Minsterley, in answer to Mr. Clease's "note of yesterday, writes to say that it will *not* be convenient. "Minsterley is not a Parish Church but a 'peculiar.'"

"12th July, 1902.

"*The Rev. the Vicar* of Minsterley is not quite clear as to "what you require with his Church Registers, but he *declines to* "*submit them into any secular hands for any purpose whatever.*"

*(See list of documents for "Westbury," which contains* a note as to the "Tithe Map and Apportionment; also Altered Apportionment of "the township of Minsterley in the parish of Westbury.")

## MONKHOPTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1698—1761.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1762—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1882— do. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1756—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1835. |
| ,, | ,, | 1839—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | | 1806—1888. |
| Do. | do. | 1888—in use. |

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

# MONTFORD.

*(NOTE.—The living of Montford is a Vicarage attached to the Rectory of Shrawardine.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1661—1754—then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1774. *(N.B.—There is a Terrier, dated 1736, at the end of this Register.)* The following is an interesting extract from this Register in the year 1738, *kindly supplied to us by the Vicar, the Revd. Canon J. Dobell*, viz:—

"March the fifth, the new Church, blessed be God for it, was "opened, rebuilt by that ingenios Architect, Mr. William Cowper, "junr. of Salop, the Foundation thereof on May ye 19th, Ascension "Day, in ye Presence of several Trustees hereafter mentioned, "namely, Mr. Joseph Muckleston of Salop, Mr Edmund James, "Rector of Shrawarden, Mr Henry Withington, Steward, and the "Vicar, who were Twice at Stafford on their own expence to "examine accounts and receive moneys collected by Brief granted "for that purpose, Mr Henry Hanmer was once there on his own "cost, but was prevented by sickness from a second journey, where-"upon Ed^d. Evans of Montford Churchwarden went but charged it "on ye Parish. The Book is now in the hands of the Vicar.

"The Honourable Henry Bromley, Esq., Lord of the Mannor "gave ten guineas towards the Altar piece whch. we gratefully "remember. The Number of Briefs laid were 9804, wch. brought "in £619. 3s. 11¼. Their Salary at 10d wthin. ye Bills of "Mortality at London, and 5d all othr. places, was £208. os. 5d. "The Patent Fees were £85. 5s. 4d. Ballance £325. 18s. 4½ "wch. we paid to Mr Cowper, but his additional work as appeared "by Bill besides what was mentioned in Articles of Agreement "amounted to more money, wch he generosly forgave, and had "our hearty Thanks."

Register containing:—

Baptisms, 1775—1812.

Burials, 1783—1812.

*(NOTE.—There are several entries of Baptisms from 1767 to 1786 on the first page of this Register and a note to the effect that the children were baptised at Great Ness.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1871.
" " 1871—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1755—1812.
" Banns, 1824—in use.
" Marriages, 1813—1836.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1746—1783—the Burials between 1746 and 1754 being in Wollen. *(NOTE.—At the end of the Register there are many entries of amounts collected on Briefs.)*

*(N.B.—The Burials from 1783—1812 are in a Register referred to above.)*

Register of Burials, 1813—1883.
" " 1883—in use.

*The following are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Award for the Parish of Shraden, dated 13th December, 1847.

Tithe Map and Award for the Parish of Montford, dated 11th February, 1848.

## MORE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman at his house, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the Church safe viz:—

General Register, 1569—1686 *(very badly mutilated; largely undecipherable; first decipherable date 1569).*

General Register, 1687—1762 *(better condition).*
do. 1763—1807 *(good condition, but mutilated; several sheets cut out).*

*(NOTE.—Immediately after the entries of Baptisms and Burials for the year 1784 we get the following signature:—*
"J. Home Dy. Collr."

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1809—1813.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1753—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

*(N.B.—The older Registers have been, as far as possible, transcribed and restored.)*

Overseers' Account Book, 1666—1709.

Do. do. 1848—1886.

Present Overseers' Account Book.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1651—1665 *(very interesting; mutilated).*

Do. 1666—1710 *(very good condition)*

*(NOTE.—There are also several Overseers Accounts for various years in this Register).*

Rate Book.

Miscellaneous papers.

Vestry Minute Book, 1858—1880.

do. 1882—in use.

List of Charities. Two parochial and two ecclesiastical. *(N.B.—There are no deeds relating to them.)*

Various papers relating to one of the Charities.

Apprenticeship Indentures.

Settlement Orders.

Affiliation Orders.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1835.

*(NOTE.—The Overseers' Account Book, Rate Book, etc., are kept by the Overseers.)*

## MORETON.

*(Moreton is an ecclesiastical parish formed, in 1861, from the parishes of Oswestry and Llanyblodwel, and consists of the townships of Moreton and Crickheath and part of the township of Llynclys.)*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register containing:—

Baptisms, 1823—in use.

Burials, 1823—1893.

Register of Marriages, 1861—in use.

" Burials, 1893— do.

Vestry Minute Book, 1870—in use.

School Trust Deed.

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

## MORETON CORBET.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Chairman of the Parish Meeting, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1580—1705. *The following memo. appears to have been made in the year 1660, viz:—*

"Most p'te of ye war time before theyr was an uzerper in ye "place one p'son Gower put in by Traytors and Rebbells and in "Gowers time few were regestered but John Maurice being Clarke "to Mr Gibbons ye booke of Comon prayr being brought in ye "Church agayne then he regestered ye foresd p'sons as you be then "written."

General Register, 1706—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Book containing Churchwardens' Accounts, 1822—1893, and Easter Vestry Minutes, 1849—1895.

Book containing Vestry Minutes and Churchwardens' Accounts, 1895—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1748—1799.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 23rd May, 1840.

## MORETON SAY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council,** viz.:—

*(NOTE.—They are at present either with the Clerk or the Chairman of the Parish Council, and should, we think, be all kept together.)*

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Valuation List.
Seventeen Ordnance Maps (25-inch Scale). *(NOTE.—These should be bound together in some way.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register from 1690 to 1754—then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1760.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1760—1812. *NOTE.—This Register contains the following entry on the 30th November, 1774:—*
"Bur: Robert Lord Clive, Baron of Plassey."

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1852. |
| ,, | ,, | 1852—1902. |
| ,, | ,, | 1902—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823—1877. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1867. |
| ,, | ,, | 1867—in use. |

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1800—1892. This book also contains a Valuation of the parish made in 1789, and various accounts of the distribution of the Charities belonging to the parish.

Deed of Allotment of the Pews and Sittings in the Church, dated 26th May, 1827.

Vestry Minute Book, 1843—1865.
Do. 1865—in use.

Document relating to matters connected with Moreton Say Church, 1826.

Printed "Review of Events," 1800—1900.

Copy of Deed of Conveyance of School land—William Tayleur, Esq., to the Minister and Churchwardens of Moreton Say.

Tithe Map and Award, the Award being dated 4th September, 1840, and the Map 23rd September, 1840, *kept in a tin case at the Rectory.*

## MORVILLE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book, 1894—in use.
Parish Meeting Minute Book, do. do.
Declaration Book.
Precept Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Financial Statements.
Cheque Book.

Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Petty Cash Book.
Miscellaneous papers.
Account Book of Charities, 1896—in use.
Various papers, &c., relating to the Charities of the Parish.

*(NOTE.—There are three Parochial Charities belonging to the parish.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1562—1753—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1880. |
| ,, | ,, | 1880—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1803. |
| ,, | ,, | 1803—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

*(NOTE.—The Registers for this parish are also used for Aston Eyre, which is a chapelry attached to Morville, but a separate Marriage Register is now (1902) used for Aston Eyre.)*

Overseers' Account Book, 1716—1747 *(kept in an old wooden chest in the Church).*

Overseers' Account Book, 1749—1773.
Do. do. 1811—1835, and continued from 1844 to 1899 as a Vestry Minute Book.

Overseers' Account Book, 1848—1865.
Miscellaneous papers.

Various fragments of Accounts of Churchwardens from 1681.

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

## MUCH WENLOCK.

*(Much Wenlock is a parish within the borough of Wenlock.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a chest at the Vicarage, viz:—

*Tithe Maps and Awards.*

*Benthall*, dated 11th March, 1845 *(Vicar of Wenlock, Patron).*
Presthope, dated 31st December, 1847.
Harley, Wigwig and Homer, dated 31st Devember, 1847.
Atterley and Walton, dated 22nd January, 1848.

Wenlock, dated 23rd May, 1848.
Bourton and Callaughton, dated 28th August, 1848.
Farley, Wyke and Bradley Townships, dated 30th May, 1849

Copy Terrier, dated May, 1607.
Wenlock Enclosure Award, dated 25th June, 1777(?).
Miscellaneous papers.

*The following are kept in the safe in the Vestry, viz:—*

General Register, 1558—1642.
Do. 1642—1698.

*(NOTE.—There are very few entries from 1655—1660.)*

In April, 1680, there appears an entry to the effect that Thomas Bach committed suicide by cutting his throat. At the end of the Register, *and nearly undecipherable*, there is a Certificate given by the Vicar that certain persons "not been touched before for the King's Evil."

General Register, 1698—1727.
Do. 1727—1755.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1755—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1836. |
| ,, | ,, | 1836—1881. |
| ,, | ,, | 1881—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1781. |
| ,, | ,, | 1782—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1880. |
| ,, | ,, | 1881—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1850. |
| ,, | ,, | 1850—in use. |

A great many miscellaneous papers, including Apprenticeship Indentures, &c., &c., *kept in a wooden chest in the Vestry.*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1862—in use, *kept at the house of the Vicar's Warden.*

## MUNSLOW.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up wooden box in the school, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Do.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.

Precept Book.
Book of Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Financial Statements.
Various papers, including extracts from various Wills as to parochial Charities.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

Transcript of first General Register, 1538—1595, containing the following note on the last page, viz:—

"Francis Jenks of Monslow Aston being Churchwarden did "procure this copy on paper."

*(NOTE.—This Register was sent to the Rev. G. B. Powell, the Vicar, by the Vicar of Montgomery who found it amongst his papers.)*

General Register in separate leaves, 1559—1632—transcribed.

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| Do. | 1637—1702. | |
| Do. | 1703—1744. | |
| Do. | 1744—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1767. | |
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1768—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1850. |
| ,, | ,, | 1850—1899. |
| ,, | ,, | 1899—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1823— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1887. |
| ,, | ,, | 1887—in use. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1840— do. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1845.

## MYNDTOWN.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a cupboard in the Chairman's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1885—in use.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz.:—

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| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1829. |
| ,, | ,, | 1854—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1846, *kept at the Rectory.*

# NASH.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin deed box at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Book containing list of Overseers from 1800—Overseers disbursements in Poor Relief, &c.—subsequently used as a Minute Book down to 26th March, 1894.

Minute Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Book of notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Treasurer's Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

*(NOTE.—Burford was formerly an ecclesiastical parish with 3 Portions and 3 Rectors.—It was divided into 3 ecclesiastical parishes (of which Nash is one) on the 7th November, 1849.)*

Burford, 1st Portion
Chapel Yards of Nash and Boraston } Register of Burials, 1855—in use.

1st Portion. Register of Baptisms, 1845—in use.
Duplicate Register of Marriages, 1837—in use.
Churchwardens' Account Book, Nash Chapel, 1881—in use.

Counterpart Mortgage, dated 29th June, 1835, for £825 11s. 0d., on security of the glebe lands, tithe, &c., of the 1st Portion.

Draft Conveyance, dated 1855, by the Revd. Herbert McLaughlin to 'Her Majesty's Commissions for building new Churches,' of glebe land for a Church Yard at Boraston in the 1st Portion of the Burford Rectory.

Faculty, dated 8th June, 1835, for making certain alterations and additions in and to the Chapel of Nash in the 1st Portion of the Rectory of Burford.

Deed, dated 1st February, 1847, called the 'Title Deed of Land' for Nash School, being a grant or conveyance by Mr. McLaughlin of certain land for the purpose of the erection of a School, &c.

Copy of 'A Terrier of the lands, tithes, and buildings belonging and enjoyed of the first Portionary of Burford in the Diocese of Hereford, the 10th day of January, 1616 (extracted out of the Registry of the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Hereford.')

Copy of a Terrier—The following Note appears at the back, viz:—"This Terrier relating to certain land of the 3rd Portion has "no date. It was exhibited at a Commission held in 1700, so that it "must be anterior to that period."

Faculty, dated 24th April, 1835, for the erection of a new Rectory house for the 1st Portion of Burford.

Copy Bishop's Citation, dated 22nd July, 1840, for the division of the parish of Pontesbury.

Copy of Deed of division and apportionment, dated 26th August, 1840, of the parish of Pontesbury.

Copy Articles of Agreement, dated 8th March, 1840, for the commutation of Tithes of the townships of Boraston and Whatmore in the parish of Burford.

Deed of Apportionment, dated 7th November, 1849, of the three Portions by the Bishop of Hereford.

Copy of confirmed separate Award of Tithe, dated 14th September, 1844, to the Rector of the 3rd Portion.

Tithe Map of the Apportionment of the Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes in the townships of Nash and Tilsop, in the parish of Burford, dated 10th November, 1845.

Altered Apportionment of Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes in the townships of Nash and Tilsop, dated 6th March, 1851.

Certified copy of Certificate of the capital value of the extraordinary Tithe Rent Charge in the townships of Boraston and Whatmore, dated 17th August, 1889.

*(NOTE.—We ascertained from the Clerk that Mr. Corfield, a Churchwarden, had an old book, and found on inspection that it was the Chapel Wardens' Account book.)*

## NEEN SAVAGE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Agenda Book.
Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Banker's Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz.:—

General Register, 1575—1720.

General Register, 1720—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1760.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1761—1779. |
| ,, | ,, | ,, 1779—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1864. |
| ,, | ,, | 1864—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1900. |
| ,, | ,, | 1901—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | | 1781—1791. |
| Do. | do. | 1802—in use. |

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1710—1758.

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| Churchwardens' Account Book, | | 1759—1809. |
| | Do. | 1809—in use. |
| Overseers' | Account Book, | 1749—1781. |
| | Do. | 1783—1796. |
| | Do. | 1795—1802. |
| | Do. | 1802—1813. |
| | Do. | 1813—1836. |

Agreement, dated 1811, for inclosing the Brompark and the Pike Common in the parish of Neen Savage.

Plan and Award of the Allotments on the Commons in the manor of Stepple in the parish of Neen Savage, dated 1812.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1841.

## NEEN SOLLARS.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Rector, who is Chairman of the Parish Meeting, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following documents, etc., are kept at the Rectory, viz:—

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| Register of Marriages and Baptisms, | | 1707—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1852. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1814—1851. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824—1836. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1841—in use. |

"*A Regr. Booke* of what burialls have beene in Neen Sollers "according to a late Act of Parliament entituled An Act for burying "in Woollen only since the feast of St. Bartholmew last past in the

"year 1678."—*The first entry is dated 2nd December, 1678, and is followed by this Memo., viz:*—"Jane Jukes of the parish of Neen-"Sollers daughter of Tho: Jukes and Eliz: his Wife was buried "Decemb: 2d according to a late Act of Parliament entituled an Act "for burying in Wollen only as appeareth by the testimony of Tho: "Jukes aforesaid day labourer who made oath before Ed: Whitchroff "Esquire one of his Majesties Justices of the Peace the nignth day of "Decemb: that the aforesaid Jane was *soe* buried and this he did in "the presence of John Jukes and Richard Gayley."

*(NOTE.—The last entry is dated 23rd December, 1812.)*
*(N.B.—The Milson Register contains a similar entry to the above.)*

Register of Burials, 1813—in use.

Original Award and Map, dated 30th September, 1844.

Certified copy of altered Apportionment of Rent Charge in the parish of Neen Sollars, dated 7th March, 1872.

Ditto and Map, dated 20th July, 1876.

*The Tithe Map and Award are kept at the Office of Mr. R. L. C. Roberts, Solicitor, Cleobury Mortimer.*

*(NOTE.—We were unable to inspect the Documents (if any) in the chest in the Vestry, as the key of the chest could not be found.)*

## NEENTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a deed box at the Rectory, viz:—

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1821—1864.
Vestry Minute Book, 1865—in use.
Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894— do.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a wooden chest at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1663.
Do. 1664—1721.
Do. 1721—1810.

*(NOTE.—The Marriages from 1761—1805 are entered at the end of Register.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns, 1824— do.
" Marriages, 1813—1838.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

*(The Registers have been transcribed by the Parish Register Society and a copy presented to the parish.)*

*The Rector informed us that the Tithe Map and Award was found in a public-house some years ago and sold for 2s. 6d., and supposed to be in the possession of Mr. J. Chatham, Surveyor to the Rural District Council, Bridgnorth. Several letters have been written by the Deputy Clerk of the County Council to Mr. Chatham with reference to the matter and he says: "I did have it in my possession but I cannot "now find it anywhere. The last I remember about it is that I lent "it to the Overseers when they were making out a new Valuation List for "the Parish." The present Overseers have also been communicated with but they say the Tithe Map, &c., has never been in their possession.*

## NEWCASTLE.

*(Newcastle is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the civil parish of Clun.)*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Church. viz:—

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|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms, | 1848—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1849— do. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1884 – do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1848— do. |

## NEWPORT.

*(The civil parish of Newport forms the urban district of Newport but the civil parish includes the whole of the ecclesiastical parish of Newport and portions of the ecclesiastical parishes of Chetwynd and Church Aston.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a bookcase at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1569—1700.

*NOTE.—We are indebted for the following extracts from the above Register to the Rev. Preb. Burgess, Rector of Newport, who kindly lent us various Magazines, &c., for the purpose, viz:—*

*(1639.)*

Whereas there was no Register Booke provided from ye yeare 1640, This was made in the yeare 1651, and al possible care was used to collect out of Mr. Stephen ffriend's manuscripts, parish clark, the time of the baptizing and the burying of those whose names are hereafter recorded.

Richard Slayney, }
John Haley, } Churchwardens

*(1639.)*

" As on his death-bed gasping Strephon lay—
" Strephon, the wonder of the plaines,
" The noblest of the Arcadian swaines,
" Strephon the witty, the bold, And the gay—
" With many a sigh And many a teare he said,
" Remember mee, yee shepherds, when I Am dead."

" Ye trifling glories of this world, Adeu,
" And vaine Aplauses of the Age;
" ffor when wee quitt this earthly stage—
" Belive mee, sheepherds, for I tell you true—
" Those pleasures which from vertuous deeds wee have
" procures the sweetest slumbers in the grave."

" Then since the fatall hour will surly come,
" Surly your heads ly low As mine,
" The bright merridian sunn decline,
" beseech the mighty Pann to guard you home
" If to elizium you will happy fly,
" live not like Strephon, but like Strephon die."

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1649, January.—Mr. Stephen ffriend, parish Clerk, died at London, and Mr. Thomas Poole succeeded him.

1653, Aprill.—What was disorderly and scribblingly set down on this side was taken out of a luse *(loose)* paper, and epartly set down over the leafe, by Thomas Mumk, being part of anno 1653.

September.—I doe allow and approve of the Election of the Parishioners of Newport, that Thomas Poole bee Registr. for the said Parish for the space of three years next ensueing, According to the forme of the Late Act of Parliamt. for marriages, &c. Given under my hand this 29 day of September, in the year of our Lord Christ 1653.—P. Yonge.

Be it remembered that Robert Barnfeild and Marye Dymock did contract a marriage the 17th day of Aprill, 1655.—Before me, P. Yonge. Witnesses: John Taylor, Gabrial Pearce, Edm. Witheringes, Tho. Poole.

1658.—This yeare was ye gallery in ye church built at ye prsh *(parish)* charge to ye twenty-fourth year.

Thomas Poole, parish clerk, was buryed the 16 of November, and Thomas Mumk succeeded him by fre choyce of Minister and people, 1658.

1661, August.—William Addams, Esquire, Merchant haberdasher and Citizen of London, borne in (and a worthy benefactor to) this towne of Newport, who in his life time erected A stately Gramer Schoole, built four

Almes Houses, endowing both with a large mainteynance, viz:—the Schoole 40lb pr Anum; to the Master 20lb pr Anum, to the Usher 20lb pr Anum; to put forth and maintain foure poore schollars in the university; 20lbs per Anum to the foure Almes houses, 5lb a house yearly for 2 men and 2 women; 24lb pr. Anum to put forth Apprentices yearly three of the poorest towne children of age between 12 and 18 years, that can read English and write; 20lb pr Anum on the church for the minister, with divers other liberall and pious gifts, ended this life (in London) the 21 of August, 1661, in the 77 yeare of his age, and at his death willed the buildinge of a Market House, left 550lbs for that purpose; 9lb pr Anum to the towne Schoole; 20lb. for the removing of the old Crosse; 20s pr. Anum for a poore boy to ringe the schoole Bell; 20s pr Anum for sweeping the schoole; with many other acts.—Tho. Mumk, Register or Clarke.

1661, September.—A female child of a wandering bodye buryed ye 24 day.

1662, June.—Memorandum that upon Saturday, ye 14 of June, 1662, was ye first foundation stone layd of ye Market House in Newport (being ye gift of Mr. William Adams), by Mr. Paget, head workman.

July.—This month, 1662, was ye top of ye Steeple repaired with new battlements.

August.—Honest Mr. Maldon forced from his ministry for Nonconformity this month the 24 day.

June.—Memorandum Tt. on ye 17 of June was finished the clock and diall at ye free Gramer School, being ye gift of John Addams, nephew to William Addams, Esqre., deceased and founder of ye Gr. School.

August.—Memorandum. that ye Bels off Newport new made to the gallery this month.—T.M.

November.—This month was the 4 kusshan seats made in ye yle, the invention of Gab. Pearce.

Memorandum.—that upon Saturday, ye 28 of November, 1663, was the first horse Market begun that ever was in this Towne of Newport.

1663, January.—This month was the loft built for ringing, or a Belfree.

1665.—Ann Brooks, widdow, who fell into and was drowned in the Talbot cisterne, was buried the 14 day January.

May.—Memorandum. that William Adams, citizen of London, gentle., nephew to the founder, gaive the Market House Bell, with the effigy of a man to ringe it, Anno 1665, which was burnt when the Towne was consumed by fire, May 19, 1665.

November.—That upon the 19th day Dorathy Penworth, of the Parish of Stockton in the County of Salop, did doe pennance in the Church in the time of Divine Worship, making her confession, and habited in forme and manor as injoyned her by the court held by Kt. Walter Littleton.

Memorandum that on ffriday in the afternoone, beinge the 19 day of May, Anno 1665, happened a sudden furyous fire, which began in the house of Richard Shelton, a smith, then livinge at the Chitlop, which by Saturday noone following were burned out of habitation about 162 families, besides the better part of 10 more houses puld to pieces and much preiudiced.—Thos. Mumk. Newport sin no more, lest a worse punishment befall the. The losse to Newport wase 30,000 pounds.—T. Millington.

Memorandum.—That the former butter Crosse precedinge this, which was the gift of Mr. William Barnfeild, beinge destroyed when the towne was burnt, was rebuilt by the Honorable Thomas Talbott, Esqre., and was reared the 24 day of this month (November), Ano. 1665.—Thomas Mumk.

ffebruary, 1665.—The worshipful Thomas Pigot, of Chetwind, Esqre., dyed the 26 day, and was buryed at Chetwind the 28 day.

Memorandum that the Red pulpit cushion and the Red plush pulpit cloath were provided by the then Churchwardens, John Reeme and Ralph Buckeridge, Anno 1666.

1667, April.—At this time many dyed of ye measels.

1669, March.—Memorandum. That Walter Adams (Clarke), Gentleman, Nephew to the founder of the Schools, gave the clock in the Market House, Anno 1669.—Saml. Gilbert, Preist; Andrew Bennett, John Williams, Ch. wardens.

Walter Pigot of Chetwind, Esqre., dyed the 7 day at Chetwind Hall, about 4 in the noone, buryed the 9 day Aprill.

September, 1669.—Richard Davisse, A londoner, who in journey dyed here the 24 day and was buryed the 26 day.

November.—Nathaniell, son of Mr. John Malden, preacher of God's word, buryed the 19 of November, 1669.

Mr. Maldon, who was forced from his ministry for nonconformity *(see August, 1662)*, appears to have been still living in the town with his family.

1669.—Those who stand excommunicated.

*Here follows a list of some thirty names. Why so many should be under the ban at the same time in a parish of the size of Newport we cannot say: perhaps there had been some disgraceful public scene which needed a severe remedy. Most of them were absolved in 1671.*

Mat. Dod, his wife, his daughter . . . . . excommunicated from . . . . . Mr. Cox, minister of Kimberton . . . . . suit and order . . . . . Dec. 15, 77.

"1674. The Honourable Lady Catherine, Widdow of Sir Richard Levison (one of ye Lords of this towne) dyed at Trentham the last of March, was carryed through this towne and buryed at Lillyshull the 3 day of April."

General Register, 1700—1734.
Do. 1750—1754—then of Baptisms and Burials only to 1795.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1795—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1836.
" " 1837—1862.
" " 1862—1888.
" " 1888—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1791—then of Banns only to 1838.
" Marriages, 1791—1809.
" " 1809—1812.
" " 1813—1853.
" " 1837—1883.
" " 1883—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1846.
" " 1846—1878.
" " 1878—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1857—1869.
Do. 1869—1887.
Do. 1888—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st July, 1841.

**The following Documents are kept in a wooden chest in the Vestry, viz:—**

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1695—1724.
Do. 1724—1764.
Do. 1764—1797.
Do. 1797—1864.

Book containing:—
{ Accounts of disbursements of donation money, 1835—1887.
{ Churchwardens' Accounts, 1834—1887.

Overseers' Account Book, 1704—1726.

Vestry Minute Book, 1823—1833.
Do. 1833—1857.

Miscellaneous papers.

Various old deeds relating to the Tithes of the parish, &c.

## NEWTOWN.

*(Newtown is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the parish of Wem in 1861.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1779—1813.
„ Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1865—in use.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## NORBURY.

*(Norbury is a chapelry attached to the Rectory of Myndtown.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Overseer, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1560—1710.
Do. 1708—1781.
Do. 1782—1811.
Book (apparently Register of Baptisms and Burials), 1782—1789.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Banns, 1754—1812.
„ Marriages, 1814—1837.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.
Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book and Vestry Minute Book from 1798 to 1837.
Overseers' Account Book, 1848—1884.
Do. 1884—in use *(with Overseer).*
Highway Account Book.
Various Apprenticeship Indentures.
Bastardy and Settlement Orders.

Tithe Map, dated 1846, of townships of Whitcott, Norbury, and Hardwick.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st December, 1847, of Asterton township only.

Map of Allotments on Norbury Hill, dated 16th May, 1851, and Inclosure Commissioners' Award.

Asterton Inclosure Map and Award, dated 1858.

Various old Rate Books.

## NORTON-IN-HALES.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin deed box at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book, 1894—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1873—1895, since then to present time used as Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Financial Statements.
Account Book of Distribution of Parochial Charities.
Pass Book of same.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1573—1737 *(very mutilated and in places undecipherable).*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1737—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1890. |
| ,, | ,, | 1890—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1836. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Conveyance, dated the 6th July, 1880, between James Owen and the Rev. F. Silver and Messrs. Eardley and Jones (Rector and Churchwardens of Norton-in-Hales) of a piece of ground at Norton-in-Hales, part of a site for a School or School house.

Vestry Minute Book, 1806—1827.

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|---|---|---|
| Overseers' Account Book, | | 1727—1762. |
| Do. | do. | 1791—1804. |
| Do. | do. | 1805—1812. |
| Do. | do. | 1812—1837. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated 3rd April, 1822.

## OAKENGATES *(Holy Trinity).*

*(Oakengates is an ecclesiastical parish formed in the year 1855 from the parishes of Shifnal and Wombridge.)*

*The urban district of Oakengates was created by an Order of the County Council known as "The County of Salop (Oakengates) Urban District Order, 1897," and comprises the parishes of Prior's Lee, St. George's, Wombridge and Wrockwardine Wood. Documents belonging to these parishes will be found under their respective headings.*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a bookcase at the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1855—1895.
" " 1896—in use.
" Marriages, 1855— do .
" Burials, 1855—1891.
" " 1891—in use.

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

## OLDBURY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk at his house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council do.
Declarations of acceptance of office by Parish Councillors.
Treasurer's Bond.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
'Rhydes' Local Government Act.
Correspondence.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the parish chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1582—1812.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1812.
" " 1813—1855.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1835—in use.
" Burials, 1814—in use.
Overseers' Account Book, 1809—1832.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1783—1844.

Certificate of capital value—a Valuation of the parish of Oldbury by Geo. Ashdown, dated 1844.

Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, dated 7th September, 1889.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 18th June, 1838, *kept in a cupboard in the Rectory.*

## ONIBURY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1819 to 1893.
Do. 1894—in use.

Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Book, *i.e.*, Bank Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1578—1730.

Do. 1731 to 1755—then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1770.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1773—1812.

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|---|---|---|
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1875. |
| ,, | ,, | 1876—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1755—1801. |
| ,, | ,, | 1801—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1836. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1899. |
| ,, | ,, | 1899—in use. |

Deed, dated 1593 (Queen Elizabeth's Reign), relating to "Norton's Charity." Annual value £6 10s. 0d., for the benefit of the National School.

## OSWESTRY RURAL.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following documents, &c., are kept in a safe at the workhouse, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Parish Meeting Minute Book of | | (Aston Ward). |
| Do. | do. | (Sweeney Ward). |
| Do. | do. | (Trefonen Ward). |
| Do. | do. | (Llanforda Ward). |
| Do. | do. | (Annual Parish Meeting). |

Parish Council Minute Book.

Attendance Book.

Contribution Order Books

Cheque Book.

Receipt and Payment Books.

Treasurer's Bond.

Treasurer's Pass Books.

Miscellaneous Receipts and Vouchers.

Forms of appointment of Overseers.

Book of Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.

Old Valuation List of the parish of Oswestry *(no date).*

Mortgage Register.

*The following documents, &c., are kept in a bureau in the office of the Clerk of the Council, 58, Roft Street, Oswestry, viz:—*

Book, dated 1833, containing Maps of the various townships comprised in the parish of Oswestry, viz:—

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|---|---|
| Aston. | Pentregaer. |
| Crickheath. | Sweeney. |
| Cynynion. | Trefarclawdd. |
| Hisland. | Treflach. |
| Llanforda. | Trefonen. |
| Maesbury. | Weston Cotton. |
| Middleton. | Wootton. |
| Morton. | |

Book called "Particulars of a Survey of the parish of Oswestry" *(being a book of reference to the above).*

Book *(date not given)* containing a Valuation of the parish of Oswestry.

Vestry Minute Book, 1852—1898.

*(NOTE.—See Oswestry Urban, Trefonen, and Cynynion for the documents in the custody of the Incumbents.)*

## OSWESTRY URBAN *(Borough).*

*(The borough of Oswestry is divided, ecclesiastically, into two parishes, viz:—St. Oswald's and Holy Trinity.)*

### HOLY TRINITY (*Oswestry*).

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1851—1893. |
| ,, | ,, | 1893—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1867—1894. |
| ,, | ,, | 1894—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1867—1900. |
| ,, | ,, | 1900—in use. |

*No Tithe Map and Award.*

## ST. OSWALD'S (*Oswestry*).

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in safes in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1669.
Do. 1669—1678, then Baptisms and Marriages only to 1727.
Register of Baptisms and Marriages, 1727—1748.
" " " 1748—1755, then Baptisms only to 1779.
" Baptisms, 1779—1812.
" " 1812—1827.
" " 1828—1846.
" " 1846—1866.
" " 1866—1884.
" " 1884—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1761.
" " 1761—1770.
" " 1778—1800.
" " 1800—1812.
" " 1813—1828.
" " 1829—1837.
" " 1837—1849.
" " 1849—1860.
" " 1860—1871.
" " 1871—1893.
" " 1893—in use.
" Burials, 1678—1750.
" " 1750—1781.
" " 1782—1812.
" " 1813—1834.
" " 1834—1856.
" " 1856—1863.
" " 1863—1894.
" " 1894—in use.
Register of Baptisms for Morton, 1827—1852.
" Burials, " 1827—1852.
Four Vols. Bānns Register, 1843 to present time.
Book called "Survey of lands belonging to the Poor."
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1577—
Do. do. 1614—1615.
Do. do. 1720—1755.
Do. do. 1756—1815.
Do. do. 1717—1747.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1749—1779.
Do. do. 1785—1816.
Do. do. 1784—1816.
Do. do. 1730—1816.

Vestry Minute Book, 1781—1809.
Do. 1805—1832.

Legacy Book, 1675—1772. } Charities.
Do. 1773—1845. }

Overseers' Account Book, 1728—1737.
Do. 1737—1759.
Do. 1768—1800.

Altered Apportionment of Rent Charge in lieu of Tithe, dated 1872.

Terrier of Glebe, &c., dated 5th August, 1856.

A large quantity of miscellaneous papers, including deeds of School, copy Wills, and various papers in connection with Charities.

*The following Tithe Maps, &c., are kept in the Office of Messrs. Longueville & Co., Solicitors, Oswestry, viz:—*

**Tithe Maps and Apportionments** of the following townships:—

Sweeney, Weston Cotton, and Maesbury, dated 1839—*also duplicate of the Apportionment.*

Crickheath, dated 1839—*also duplicate of the Apportionment.*

Aston, Hisland and Wooton, dated 1838.

Morton, dated 1840.

Middleton, dated 1840.

Liberties of Owestry, dated 1841—*(also a tracing of the Map).*

Treflach, dated 1842.

Trefonen, dated 1844.

Llanforda, Trefarclawdd, Cynynion and Pentregaer, dated 1844.

**Altered Apportionments:—**

Certain lands within the Liberties dated 1853.
Do. do. do. 1858.
Do. in the township of Maesbury, dated 1854.
Do. do. do. 1870 *(also Map).*
Do. in the townships of Sweeney, Weston Cotton, and Maesbury, dated 1867—*made in consequence of the construction of the Cambrian Railway (also Map).*

## OXON AND SHELTON.

*(Oxon and Shelton is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the parish of St. Chad in the year 1855.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1855—in use.
„ Marriages, 1855— do.
„ Burials, 1856— do.

*(See list of documents for "St. Chad," which states that* "St. Chad's "Tithe Maps and Award (including Shelton and Oxon) are kept in "the Vestry.")

## PETTON.

*(No books or documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz.:—

General Register, 1695—1758, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1767.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1773—1810.
„ Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1758—1812.
„ Marriages, 1813—1836.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Banns, 1825—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

## PITCHFORD.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a bureau at the Chairman's house (The Rectory), viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1779.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1780—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1756—1779.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1780—1812.
„ Marriages, 1813—1834.

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|---|---|
| Register of Marriages, | 1838—in use. |
| „ Burials in Wollen, | 1678—1723. |
| „ „ „ | 1724—1742. |
| „ Burials, | 1813—in use. |
| Overseers' Account Book, | 1731— 1782. |

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book (principally the former), 1698—1782. *(NOTE.—This book contains a Terrier, dated 1698.)* The following are copies of two interesting Briefs which appear in this Book in the year 1699, viz:—

"May 2nd 1699. Collected then in the parish of Pitchford "in the County of Salop for the relief and settlement of the Protes- "tants banished for their religion according to his Majesties letters "patent, the sum of one pound three shillings and nine pence.

"(sd) "John Wilkes Rectr.
"John Rogers } Church Wardens."
"Edward Ward }

"July 2nd 1699. Collected then in the parish of Pitchford "in the County of Salop for the briefe of Drury Lane in Middle- "sex loss by fire 7320lf the sum of eight shillings and ninepence."

"John Wilkes Rector
"Richard Cund } Churchwardens."
"Thomas Jones }

| | |
|---|---|
| Terrier, dated | 1756. |
| Do. | 1759. |
| Do. | 1787. |
| Do. | 1797. |
| Do. | 1811. |
| Do. | 1841. |
| Do. | 1884. |

Papers relating to the diversion of Pitchford road, 1823.

Apprenticeship Indentures.

Tithe Map and Award, dated the 2nd December, 1848, *kept at the Rectory.*

## PONTESBURY.

*(The civil parish of Pontesbury is divided into three ecclesiastical portions, by Bishop's Decree, dated 22nd July, 1840.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following documents, &c., are kept by the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Treasurer's Book.

Cheque Book.

Contribution Order Book.

*The following documents, etc., are kept in the parish chest in the Vestry, viz:—*

Articles of Agreement, dated November 7th, 1826, for the allotment of the waste lands amongst the copyholders of Ford Manor.

1826. Pontesford Inclosure Minute Book.

Perambulation of the township of Pontesford, giving description of boundaries, and various papers relating thereto.

Pontesford Inclosure Award, dated 29th December, 1828.

Pontesbury do. ,, 31st March, 1848.

Poor Rate Book, 1760.
Do. 1770.
Do. 1800.
Do. 1800.
Do. 1810.
Do. 1812.
Do. 1814—1817.
Do. 1818.
Do. 1821—1825.
Do. 1825—1830.

Overseers' Account Book, 1757.
Do. 1765 (with list of Overseers, from 1765 to 1804).
Do. 1802.

Poor Relief Committee Minute Book, 1793—1802.

Poor Relief Book.

Book of paupers in Workhouse, 1803.

List of paupers with weekly payments, 1806.

Poor Relief Book, 1817.
Do. 1818.
Do. 1818.
Do. 1820.
Do. 1824.
Do. 1830.

Relief Pay Book, 1830.

Pauper Relief list for Cruckton, 1813.

Act of Parliament (Poor Law), 1822.

Do. do. 1834.

Abridgment of Penal Statutes.

Six bundles of Apprenticeship Indentures, &c.

Pontesbury Vestry Poll book, 23rd April, 1894.

*The following are kept in a box in the Clerk's office, viz:—*

Two Tithe Maps of the following townships in the parish of Pontesbury, viz:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Pontesbury | Farley |
| Asterley and Hinwood | Edge |
| Cruckton | Lea and Colmere |
| Newnham and Sascott | Boycott |
| Pontesford | Malehurst |
| Hinton | The Oaks |
| Halston. | |

*(NOTE.—The Map of the Longden part of Pontesbury has been missing for some years.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1538—1733. *The following is a specimen of many entries contained in this Register of amounts raised on 'Briefs,' viz:—*

"August the tenth anno domi 1650. Collected ye day and "yeare above written in the Parish of Pontesbury towards the "re-building of the Church of Oswestree the full sum of one and "fifty shillings and five pence."

*(NOTE.—The entries are in Latin to 1650, in English to 1661, reverting then to Latin (in good preservation.)*

General Register, 1734—1772.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1773—1813.
" Baptisms, 1813—1835.
" " 1835—1879.
" " 1879—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1776.
" " 1776—1812.
" " 1813—1838.
" " 1837—1882.
" " 1882—in use.

Register of Banns, 1791—1885.
„ Burials, 1886—in use.

Faculty for heating the Church.

Vestry Meeting Minute Books up to present time.

Conveyance, dated 22nd January, 1849, from the Guardians of Atcham Union to the Rector of Pontesbury, of premises in the parish of Pontesbury under the provisions of 4 and 5 Vic. cap. 38.

Conveyance, dated 23rd October, 1858, from Messrs. Harrison, Rycroft, and Fleetwood to the Revd. Wm. Harrison, of a barnyard and buildings adjoining the Rectory of Pontesbury, in the county of Salop.

Conveyance, dated 8th December, 1871, from Henry Gardner, Esquire, to the Archdeacon of Salop and successor, of a piece of land at Asterley, in the parish of Pontesbury, for the purpose of a School.

Deed of Grant, dated 18th March, 1874, of the building and land near Pontesbury Rectory as a site for the residence of the Schoolmaster.

Altered Apportionment of the Rent-Charge in lieu of Tithes, dated 8th October, 1874.

A certified copy of the Bishop's Decree, of 1840, for the division of Pontesbury into three ecclesiastical portions.

Two Awards of the townships referred to in the Tithe Maps in the custody of the Parish Council.

*(See list of documents for "Nash," which includes a* "copy of a Deed "of division and apportionment of the parish of Pontesbury, dated the "26th August, 1840.")

## POSENALL.

*(Posenall is a civil parish only within the jurisdiction of the borough of Wenlock.)*

## PREES.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following documents, etc., are kept in a safe in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.

Declarations of Parish Councillors.

Bank Pass Book.

Cheque Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Petty Cash Book.

*The following Documents, etc., are kept in a wooden chest in the Vestry, viz:—*

Large number of Ordnance Survey Maps..

Award of Messrs. Lee & Jellicoe for enclosing Whixall Moss, dated 1st May, 1823, and a Plan relating thereto.

Surveyors of Highways Account Books.

Old Assessments of the Parish.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1667—1697, and several others.

An Account of the disbursement of moneys collected at the Sacrament, commencing 1700.

Overseers' Account Book.

*(N.B.—This Chest should perhaps be examined again. There are many books, &c., in it, and our time was limited.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following documents are kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1597—1654 (*fair condition; somewhat mutilated*)
Do. 1653—1661.
Do. 1661—1679.
Do. 1679—1756.

Register of Baptisms, 1756—1781.
" " 1782—1804.
" " 1804—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—1854.
" " 1854—in use.

" Marriages, 1754—1779, and Banns, 1799—1803.
" " 1779—1803.
" " 1803—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—1883.
" " 1883—in use.

Register of Burials, 1756—1781.

„ „ 1782—1799.

*The following is a copy of a Memo. at end of this Register, viz:—*

11th Jany. 1783. "Bread corn was so scarce and dear that "it was thought necessary to raise a subcription from those in and "those who had property in the Parish for the purpose of "purchasing a quantity to resell to the industrious poor at a reduced "price when upwards of £90 was collected. The price given was "from 8 shil. to 10 sh. per meas and resold at 6 shil. per meas.

"Jany. 1795. A Subscription to the amount of £50 were "collected for the benefit of the Poor for to buy corn and to sell "out at a reduced price bought from 8s to 9s resold at 7s.

"Mr. William Venables of the Heath Gate
"Mr. John Venables of Dalston
"Mr. Dicken of the Plat
} were active in this Charitable collection.

"February, 1795. The largest Flood and the severest Frost "that has been ever known by the oldest inhabitant, Mr. Morleton."

Register of Burials, 1799—1813.

„ „ 1813—1850.

„ „ 1850—in use.

*The Vicar possesses a quaint illuminated parchment list of certain Charities fitted in an old oak case with a door (found in a cupboard in the Church by the Vicar many years ago).*

*The Vicar also has at his house a box of old deeds and papers relating to certain Charities, part undecipherable. The Vicar kindly made and forwarded the following interesting Schedule of these, viz:—*

A.D. PREES CHARITIES, from double framed case.

1647. Roger Fulford of * * * of £10 of Prees 1606. For Church and Parish of Prees as is hereinafter expressed.

1st. Thos. Clay, son of Richard Clay, late of Fauls, in life time 1602 A.D. on Low Sunday 20£ for maintenance of poor inhabitants of Prees as follows:—That the Ch. Wardens (chosen every year) at their discretion, taking security for the payment of the same at every yrs. end that arise from the same to the Ch. Wardens that shall be chosen for the year following. And the said new Wardens, upon such amount and payment, as aforesaid to take new bonds and securities in their own names, as they for ever to dispose of the profits arising from the same for maintenance of the poor aforesaid.

George Clay son of Richard Clay of Fauls gave towd. the making of the leading Bell 13/4 Augt 1614.

And also the above Thos Clay gave towards the making of the leading Bell, in price 1614 Nov. 8, 5£.

And Andrew son of Geo. Clay towds. the making of the same leading Bell 5/- A.D. 1614.

And also the said Thos. Clay, wh gave 20£ to the poor and 5£ to bell gave a further 9£ to make the chimes the wh. were made 1617, solely at the charge of the above Thos. Clay.

And the aforesaid Thos. Clay gave also 20/- to continue for ever.

Churchwardens chosen from yr. to yr. to set forth the said 20/- to interest for payment of the same with the dole (wh. dole according * * * shall be given unto him that tendeth and looketh to the said chimes, and so to continue for ever.)

Mary Mason dr. of Thos. Pixley, Co. Salop.

"Separate square Parchment on double Framed Case"

And the said Thos. Clay, doth leave Overseer, Andrew Clay his nephew, son and heir of Geo. Clay of the Fauls in the said parish of Prees, Gent., And the said Andrew Clay, and his heirs to the Overseers for ever. That the said interest of the named 20£ be bestowed, and employed to the maintenance of the Poor of the aforesaid Parish of Prees, as is aforenamed, according to the true intent and meaning of the aforesaid 20£. And also the said Thos. Clay doth leave the said Andrew Clay and his heirs to oversee the Ch. Wardens, that the said Ch. Wardens do take good and sufficient security for the payment of the said 20£ with the interest, as is above specified. And also for the 20/- given to him that tendeth the Chimes, to have the interest and the security for the said 20/- to be taken every year by the Ch. Wardens, and also the said Andrew Clay and his heirs to see that the Chimes be kept going for ever according to the meaning of the said Thomas Clay for ever.

"Copy of Blackboard in Vestry."

Anno D. 1690. Revd. Christopher Comyn, Vicar.

John Morgan and John Broomfield Ch. Wardens.

"The memory of the just shall be blessed."

The names of the Benefactors to the Ch and poore stock of the Parish of Prees.

1st. Madam Ellenor Rwoe of Woodford, Essex, gave an Altar Cloth, Pulpit Cloth and Cushion of Purple Cloth embroidered.

2nd. Margaret relict of Thos. Fowler D. D. Rector of Whitchurch gave towards the increase of the poor stock 3£.

3rd. Robt. Bulkley, of the Church Style Yeoman gave to the same use 1£.

4th. Mrs. Sarah Hassal, of Light each, gave to the same use 5£.

5th. Thos. Hamnet gave to the same use 1£.

6th. Anthony Scattergood D.D. Prebendary of this Church at the renewing of ye Prebendall Lease gave to the same use 5£.

7th. John Poole of Longford in the parish of Morton gave towds. the increase of the poor stock 5£, the interest to be bestowed in bread, amongst the poor, on Xmas Day for ever.

8th. Richard Harper of Farley, in the parish of Alton & County of Stafford, left towards the increase of the Poor Stock 5£.

9th. Sarah Shockledg, of Prees, gave to the same use 15£.

10th. Arthur Turner of Fause Green, to the same use 10£.

11th. Anne Willaston, relict of Arthur Willaston, Gent., gave for the use of this Church, one Pulpit Cloth and 3 Cushions richly embroidered with silk.

12th. Mrs. Mary Mason of Little Southey 5£ in Stock to the poor of the Parish of Prees for ever, the interest thereof to be given in bread on Good Friday at the discretion of the Minister and Ch. Wardens for the time being. A.D. 1705.

13th. Richard Jackson, Vicar of Prees, Residentiary of Lichfield, a Silver Flagon for Communion Table.

14th. Mrs. Grace Welch left 20£ the interest whereof to be given to the Poor of Prees Parish, at the discretion of Minister and Ch. Wardens.

*The following Tithe Maps, &c., are kept in an oak coffer and cupboard in the Vestry, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 29th July, 1844, of the parish of Prees with the exception of the township of Whixall.

Altered Apportionment and Map, dated 29th December, 1887.

Altered Apportionment and Map of the township of Corra, dated 22nd November, 1888.

*(NOTE.—There are very many documents, &c., in Prees, in addition to those contained in the above list. The inspection, although very hastily made, took a considerable time, but it would take at least two days to inspect all the old documents in the wooden safe in the Vestry.)*

## PRESTON GUBBALDS.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a box at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Minute Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

Various papers, correspondence, &c.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following documents, &c., are kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1601—1728.
Do. 1729—1750, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1813.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1891.
" " 1891—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1755—1812.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Conveyance, dated 1858, from R. A. Slaney and others to the Minister and Churchwardens of a piece of ground with Schoolroom and Playground thereon.

Terrier, dated 1783.
Do. 1884.

*The following documents, &c., are kept in a wooden chest in the Vestry, viz:—*

"Theological Library comprising about 72 books, the gift of "Charles Mather, Esq."

Vestry Meeting Minute Book.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1840, *in tin case.*

*The following documents, &c., are kept in an iron chest in the Church, viz:—*

Altered Tithe Apportionment, dated 1853.

Shrewsbury and Chester Railway—Plan and Section of the portion of the proposed line passing though the parish.

## PRESTON-ON-THE-WILDMOORS.

*No Parish Meeting documents.*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1693—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1775.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1775—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1833.
" " 1839—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1724—1740.
Do. 1740—1774.
Do. 1775—1895.

Overseers' Account Book, 1727—1774.
Do. 1791—1826.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 23rd August, 1843.

Trust Deed of National School, dated 4th March, 1898.

*(N.B.—The Trust Deed of the old National School, established 1845, is in the hands of the Board of Education.)*

## PRIOR'S LEE.

*(NOTE.—Prior's Lee at the time of our inspection was "a district chapelry" in the parish of Shifnal—formed in 1863. The civil parish of Prior's Lee was created by "The County of Salop (Oakengates) Urban "District Order, 1897," and is a parish within the said Urban District.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1829.
" " 1830—1867.
" " 1867—in use.
" Marriages, 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1839—1866.
" " 1867—1886.
" " 1886—in use.

Vestry Meeting Minute Book, 1863—in use.

Miscellaneous papers.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## QUATFORD.

*(Quatford (with the civil parish of Eardington) is an ecclesiastical parish, and forms part of the borough of Bridgnorth.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1602—1714. *(Sewn together without regard to date, and partly bound in a portion of an old illuminated Black Letter Missal. It is quite impossible to say without a thorough examination whether this Register is consecutive or not.)*

General Register, 1713—1763.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1763—1796.
„ „ „ 1797—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1869.
„ „ 1869—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1786. *This book is prefaced with the following Note, viz:—*

"A New Register Book of the Church of Quatford, in the "County of Salop, Bought by the Churchwardens of Quatford "aforesd., for the Entering in it all the Marriages that shall be "solemnized in the said Church, after the 25th day of March "according to 1754, the late Act of Parliament made in the 26th "year of the Reign of King George 2nd, Against Clandestine "Marriages.

"Bought by William Yates, "Thomas Hickman, } Ch. Ward.

"September 21st, 1754."

Register of Marriages, 1754—1786.
„ „ 1787—1811.
„ „ 1814—1835.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Vestry Meeting Minute Book, (Quatford) 1863—in use.
do. do. (Eardington) 1847—1894.
do. do. 1811—1860.

Account Book of the Churchwardens and Overseers of Quatford, 1674—1839. *(The Accounts do not appear to be consecutive.) The Book also contains Minutes of Vestry Meetings.*

Contract, dated 1713, for re-building Church.

Apprenticeship Register, 1818—1830.

Various papers, Rate Books, &c.

Tithe Map and Award of Quatford, dated 1848.
do. do. Eardington, dated 1842, *kept by Mr. Lawley, Churchwarden.*

# QUATT MALVERN AND QUATT JARVIS.

*(These two parishes are united for ecclesiastical purposes and known as Quatt. The latter parish is within the borough of Bridgnorth.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting of Quatt Malvern.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1672—1704.

Do. 1704—1752. *The following is a copy of an entry on June 28th, 1723, viz:—*

"Sir John Wolryche. Memo. yt he was buried in Linnen "and ye penalty paid."

General Register, 1752—1792.

Do. 1792—1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1879.
" " 1879—in use.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

An Account of the Great Tithes of the Rectory of Quatt Malvern, 1752—1775.

Overseers' Account Book, 1759—1794.
Do. 1794—1824.
Do. 1824—1837.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1759—1825.

Miscellaneous papers.

Rate Book, &c.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st January, 1841, of the townships of Quatt Malvern and Quatt Jarvis, *kept at Dudmaston Estate Office.*

Terrier, dated 1758, of the glebe lands, buildings, tithes, and appurtenances of the Rectory of Quatt in ye County of Salop, of which the following is a copy, viz:—

1758.

A Terrier of the Glebe Lands Buildings Tithes and Appurtenances of the Rectory of Quatt in ye County of Salop.

The Rectory House consists of about five Bays of Building; ye Barn Stable and Cow House are ten Bays. All ye Land belonging to ye Rectory is ye Church-yard Garden Orchard Fold-yard and Barn-yard, which consists of betwixt two and three Acres or thereabout.

All tithes are due to ye Rector in kind (excepting ye Demesnes of Dudmaston for which there is paid forty shillings yearly) and if any Land produces two Crops in one year ye tithes of both are by Special custom due.

The Custom for tithing Hay Clover and Rye-grass is ye Eleventh cock, and ye eleventh Mow of Wheat Mon' corn and Rye, and ye tenth cock of Pease Barley Oats and Vetches, and ye tenth bottle of Hemp and Flax if ye land it grows upon be less than a Statute Acre; and ye time for tithing these aforesaid sorts of Grain Hay &c. is when they are sufficiently fielded and made ready to carry.

The Rector has a tithe Lamb at Seven and allows three pence for each Lamb under ten, but if they be under seven ye owner pays him three pence for each Lamb; and ye time of tithing Lambs may be deferred till Midsummer (Old Stile) if ye Rector pleases. If Sheep are wintered in ye Parish there is a penny due for ye herbage of each Sheep and three pence for ye fall of each Lamb.

So ye Rector has a tithe pig at Seven and allows three half pence for each pig under ten, but if they be under seven ye owner pays three half pence for each pig. So likewise ye Rector has a tithe Goose at seven and allows one penny for each Goose under ten, but if they be under seven ye owner pays one penny for each Goose. For a Cow there is due one penny, for a Calf one half penny excepting Lye Hall Farm which pays a Calf in kind, or else Seven shillings and six pence, at ye choice of ye Rector. For a Colt there is due four pence, for a Stall of Bees when put down or removed into another Parish three pence.

For a Cock there is due three Eggs, for a Hen two Eggs, for a Pullet one Egg, and ye same for Drakes Ducks Turkeys and all other sorts of fowls.

The Surplice Fees are for a Marriage with a Licence five shillings, for a Marriage by Banns one Shilling and Six pence, and one shilling for publishing; for a Burial Six pence, and for Churching four pence.

For Easter offerings, as Communicants ye custom is for a Man and his wife to pay two pence, and a Single person two pence, which is all paid by ye Master or Mistress of the family, for a Garden is paid a penny, and for Smoke a farthing.

The Clark's wages by Ancient custom is four pence ye Yard-land through out the Parish.

## RATLINGHOPE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Church, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1794—1813. |
| „ | „ | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1837—in use. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1829—1894.

## RICHARD'S CASTLE.

*(NOTE.—The old parish of Richard's Castle is now divided into two parishes—one in Shropshire and the other in Herefordshire. The Village and Church of Richard's Castle are in Herefordshire.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a box in the Schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Parish Meeting do.

Treasurer's Account Book.

Declarations of Parish Councillors.

Savings Bank Book of Blanket Charity (£60), kept by the Clerk of the Parish Council.

## RODINGTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Rough Minute Books.
Receipt and Payment Books.
Declaration Book.
Precept Book.
Old Pass Book.
Pass Book now in use.
Cheque Book.
Financial Statements.
Miscellaneous papers.

Burial Board Minute Book, 1881—1897.*

Do. Account Book.*

Grave Register of Rodington Burial Ground.

Parish Council Account Book, 1895—1898. *(This book is discontinued—the Accounts now being entered in the Minute Book.)*

* The Parish Council now control the Burial Ground, having adopted the Burial Acts. The Burial Board was dissolved in 1897.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1678—1739.
Do. from 1739 to 1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1790.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1790—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1856. |
| ,, | ,, | 1856—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1756—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1839—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 31st December, 1842, *kept at the Rectory.*

*(See list of "High Ercall" documents, which contains* "an old map "of the boundaries of the parishes of High Ercall and Rodington;" also "Register of Burials in Rodington and Waters Upton.")

## ROMSLEY.

*(Romsley, for ecclesiastical purposes, is a portion of the parish of Alveley.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman in a fire-proof safe in his office, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

## ROWTON.

*(Rowton is a township and ancient chapelry in the parish of High Ercall. The townships of Cold Hatton and Ellerdine are attached to Rowton for ecclesiastical purposes.)*

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a wooden chest in the Vestry, viz:—

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1840—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1850— do. |

## RUCKLEY AND LANGLEY.

*(Ruckley and Langley is a civil parish only—for ecclesiastical purposes it is attached to Acton Burnell.)*

No Parish Meeting documents.

## RUDGE.

*(Rudge, for ecclesiastical purposes, is attached to Pattingham, Staffordshire.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a drawer (locked) at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Minute Book.
Valuation of parish.
Rate Books.
Receipt and Payment Book, 1868—1890.

## RUSHBURY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory *(NOTE.—The Rector is Chairman of the Parish Council)*, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Cheque Book.
Banker's Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Book of Overseers' appointments.
Miscellaneous papers.

Scheme under which the "Wainwright" Charity is administered, dated 1893.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1538—1677. The cover of this Register has an endorsement on it to the effect that—

"1545—1554
"1555—1560
"1573—1577
"1646—1650
"1677—1685
are missing."

General Register, 1685—1756—*containing at the end many entries of "Briefs."*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | 1757—1762. | |
| " Baptisms, | 1762—1812. | |
| " Burials, | 1762—1812. | |

*(NOTE.—These three Registers have been bound together.)*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | 1813—1864. | |
| " " | 1865—in use. | |
| " Marriages, | 1754—1806. | |
| " " | 1806—1812. | |
| " " | 1813—1846. | |
| " " | 1837—in use. | |
| " Burials, | 1813— do. | |

Book (dating about 1715) containing many entries of amounts collected upon Briefs. Also of amounts collected at Church Festivals and rent of parish land, and showing the manner in which the receipts were disbursed. Also containing entries of Burials in Woollen from 1708 to 1728.

Overseers' Account Book, 1698—1729. *(NOTE.—This Book contains many items other than items of Account.)*

Churchwardens' Account Book, dated 1715—1727.

*The following are kept in a safe in the Rectory, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the township of Gretton and Tithe Map of the remainder of the parish of Rushbury, dated 1841.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the township of Gretton, dated 1847.

## RUYTON-XI-TOWNS.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Some of the following books, &c., are kept by the Clerk of the Parish Council

at his house and others in the parish safe, viz:—

Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Bank Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Account Book.
Letter Book.
Precept Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1719—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1763.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1763—1786; *Burials at one end of the book and Baptisms at the other.*

Do. do. 1786—1813. *This Register contains the following interesting entry made in 1787:*—"Sarah the "daughter of Hugh Davis and Elizabeth his Wife was buried Octr. "21st. Duty paid to the King ! !"

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1840.
" " 1840—1864.
" " 1865—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1760—1812.
" Banns, 1823—1876.
" Marriages, 1754—1809.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1857.
" " 1857—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1817—1835, for Poor Relief, &c.

Accounts of Overseers and Churchwardens, showing Rates raised 'towards the Church and other necessaries thereunto belonging,' 1744—1790.

Vestry Minute Book, 1797—1837.

Various bundles of correspondence and miscellaneous papers.

Faculty, dated 1811, for repewing Church and erecting Gallery.

An unsigned copy of Terrier of 'all and singular the buildings, lands, tithes, fees, emoluments, and dues belonging to the Vicarage.'

Parchment Terrier, ditto, 14th August, 1845.
Do. ditto, 24th July, 1849.
Do. ditto, 27th July, 1853.
Do. ditto, 5th August, 1857.
Do. ditto, 1884.—*In this Terrier there is a Note, of which the following is a copy, viz:—*

"There is also in the charge of the Vicar an ancient Mace "belonging to the Courts once held in Ruyton—of oak banded "with Silver and with silver seals at each end—But the smaller "of these seals has been lost since 1834."

Copy London Gazette, dated 4th October, 1887, containing a copy of an Order of Her Majesty in Council, effecting an exchange of the advowson of the benefice.

Mortgage, dated 10th August, 1864, of living to Queen Anne's Bounty for purpose of raising £450 for enlarging Parsonage.

Conveyance, dated 7th October, 1862, of a plot of land for enlarging the Church Yard.

Conveyance, dated 30th June, 1854, of an Edifice called the Court House, in Ruyton-of-the-xi-Towns.

Tithe Maps and Awards of the townships of Ruyton, Eardiston, Shottatton, Shelvoke, and Wikey, and Coton.

*There is also a copy of a very interesting Report on the 'Borough' of Ruyton which has been transcribed and appended hereto. It would appear (from the copy of the letter which precedes it) to have been copied and given to a former Vicar by Mr. J. S. Comberbatch, viz:—*

6, Town Walls,
Shrewsbury.

Dear Rev. Sir,

Herewith I send you a copy of Report on the Borough of Ruyton not copyed so well as I could have wished owing to several blunders but hope you will be able to make it out it is copyed word for word from the Report if legible enough to be made out with kind regards.

I am, Dear Revd. Sir,
Yours faithfully,
J. S. Comberbatch.

The
Revd. F. P. Wilkinson,
Ruyton-XI-Towns.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS IN ENGLAND AND WALES.

2857.

# REPORT

ON

# THE BOROUGH OF RUYTON,

# SALOP.

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# REPORTS

FROM

# COMMISSIONERS ON BOROUGH OF RUYTON.

Preliminary Remarks on its early History.

1.—The Borough of Ruyton, in the County of Salop, was anciently a parcel of the possessions of the powerful family of the Earls of Arundel in the Marches of Wales, under the designation of "Burgum de Nova Ruyton." The origin of those possessions is more particularly traced in the Report of the Borough of Clun.

Respecting Edmund, Earl of Arundel, Granter of the Charter to Ruyton, hereinafter noticed, Dugdale (bar. i. 316) gives the following information "which "Edmund, in 34 Edward 1st having received the "honor of knighthood with Prince Edward, and divers "persons of note, by the solemn ceremony of bathing, "&c., attended the King in his expedition at that "time made into Scotland so likewise, in 35 Edward 1st. "In 3 and 4 Edwd. 2nd, he was again in the Wars of "Scotland; and in 5 Edward 2nd obtained the King's "Charter for a Market every week, upon the Wednesday "at his Mannor of Ruyton, in the Marches of Wales, "with a fair yearly, on the eve and day of the Nativity "of St. John Baptist and three days next following."

Three years prior to his obtaining this Royal Grant of a Market and Fair, it appears that he had conceded, by Charter, to the Burgesses of Ruyton, the privileges referred to hereafter.

Local Limits.

2.—There are two Townships of Ruyton, the old and the new; of which New Ruyton is strictly co-extensive, and indeed is identified with the Borough. They form a portion of an extensive Manor called the Manor of "Ruyton-XI.-Towns," and are considered as one "Town" in forming a component part of that Manor. Six of these eleven Towns or Townships, are included in the Parish of Ruyton, namely, Ruyton, Cotton, Wiykey, Shotatton, Shelvok, and Eardiston. The remaining five, namely, West Felton, Sutton, Rednal, Haughton, and Tedsmore lie without the Parish. There have been perambulations of the Parish once in every seven years at least; but none of the Borough: the limits of which, however, are stated to be perfectly well known and defined, and never to have been the subject of dispute or litigation.

Charter.

3.—There is a tradition that at a fire which consumed the Vicarage of Ruyton about half a century ago, some Charters relaiting to that Borough were destroyed.

The translation of the Charter of John Earl of Arundel and Mountravers, inspecting and confirming antecedent Charters of Richard Earl of Arundel and Surrey, and of Edmund, his Grandfather, was taken from a copy on Parchment among Documents in the custody of the present Vicar. A Latin copy of the same Charter also accompanies this Report.

The original Charter (of Edmund) is dated at Ruyton on the Sunday next before the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in the 2nd year of the Reign of the Lord King Edward, son of King Edward.

The confirmation, by Richard, is dated at Castle Philipp, 1st Septr. 17 Richard. 2.; and that by John, at London, 22nd April, 8 Henry 6th. It grants to his Burgesses of Ruyton a free Borough in that town, "and to everyone that hath taken, or henceforth may "be willing to take land of the said Borough, one "place of Burgage, and three acres of Field Land to "have and to hold for us and our Heirs, to themselves, "and to their Heirs and Assigns, freely for ever; "rendering therefrom yearly to us and our Heirs, for "each Burgage, twelve pence, and each acre of land "four pence, &c." It exempts them from "Toll, "Passage, and pontage through all our lands, and also "of heriots, reliefs, tallage, and of all other customs," and grants them "the laws and customs of Bristol, whole "and inviolable for ever: so that no bailiff of our do "in no wise set his hand against the laws a ' customs "aforesaid, &c. And that they may have the laws and "customs aforesaid as wholly and fr y as the Citizens "of Hereford, or the Burgesses o Shrewsbury hold "them. And that from henceforth no one may do any "Merchandize in the Borough aforesaid, unless it be "of the said law, or by the consent of the said "Burgesses."

It then gives them a Gild Mercatory, with Assize of Bread and Ale, and with other like immunities; reserving, however, for each brewing that they have brewed in the Borough, three Gallons of Ale for him and his Heirs.

**Officers.**

4.—The only Officers of the Borough are:—

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| Bailiffs | ... .. | 2 |
| Serjeant at Mace | ... | 1 |

**Bailiffs.**

5.—No appointment of corporate Officers whatsoever is recognized by the Charter, which only incidentally notices the office of Bailiff, in terms from which it may be inferred that here (as in a multitude of other places in the Marches and Principality of Wales) the municipal officers were mere appendages of the lordship of the Borough or manor.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS IN ENGLAND AND WALES

**2859 Salop Ruyton.**

In point of practice, a high and low bailiff are appointed annually, at the Court leet, in the month of October. The high Bailiff for time being nominates the succeeding high and low bailiffs, without any interference on the part of the lord.

In general, the burgesses who attend on the jury at that Court form a majority of the whole body of Burgesses. They are not, however, consulted by the bailiff as to the appointment of his successors; though sometimes, as a matter of courtesy, the intended appointments are communicated to them, with an inquiry whether there is any objection to them. No instance has occurred of any objection taken on the part of the burgesses. They had been uniformly chosen from among the burgesses, until last year, when a departure from that practice first occurred, and one of the bailiffs was appointed from among the inhabitants at large.

**Bailiffs, functions of.**

6.—The Bailiffs appear to have no other functions than the appointing of the serjeant-at-mace, and furnishing him wlth the list of persons to be summoned on the juries; and although they attend at the Assizes, and are regularly called upon the roll of magistrates they have no magisterial duties whatever to perform, they have no salaries or emoluments from any source.

**Serjeant at Mace.**

7.—The Serjeant at Mace is appointed by the bailiffs annually, in point of form; but the same individual is generally reappointed while able and willing to serve.

**Functions.**

8.—He assists the Constable of the Borough as a conservator of the Peace, each of the Townships of New and Old Ruyton appointing district constables; and he summons the juries from the Bailiffs' list.

He carries an ancient silver Mace with the inscriptions "Liberum Burgude Nova Ruyton" and "Edmuud Comes Arun," and decorated with the Arundel Arms, and those of England and France.

**Emolument.** 9.—At the annual fair on the 5th July, the Serjeant-at-Mace takes 1d. per standing from all non-Burgesses exposing Goods for sale, and 6d. from every non-Burgess who sells ale or keeps any shop within the Borough these payments are generally submitted to, and form the whole of the emoluments of his office; but he shares in a dinner given by the Lord annually on the Court day, to all but the bailiffs, who pay for themselves.

**Freedom.** 10.—It is reputed that the freedom of the Borough may be obtained by birth, as son of an actual burgess or by marriage with the daughter of a burgess. But in many instances, the privilege is not thought worthy of being insisted on.

**Fees.** 11.—There are no fees whatsoever payable in respect of the freedom or offices.

**Court.** 12.—The Charter grants "that a free Court be "made out and held of three weeks to three weeks "if it be necessary; and that no one of the Burgesses "be impleaded, nor judged unless in the said Court, "and that by their equals" But there is no record or trace of the holding of any such Court; and the only Court holden within the Borough is that of the leet, for the Manor at large, at which nuisances generally throughout the Manor are presented, and all the Officers of the eleven Towns, as well as of the Borough are appointed.

**Juries.** 13.—The bailiffs give the serjeant-at-mace a list of the persons whom he is to summon on the jury, consisting indiscriminately of all qualified inhabitants, without reference to their Burgess right. Their attendance is procured without difficulty.

They have no fees or advantages beyond the dinner, for which the Lord of the Manor allows £5.

**Police.** 14.—The serjeant-at-mace and constable form the whole local police. There are three county magistrates resident within two or three miles of the town.

**Gaol.** 15.—There is a lock-up house in the Borough, the upper part of which is let as a saddler's shop. Formerly the Bailiff of the manor used to receive the rent of

the shop; although no repairs have been done to it, at the expense either of the present lord (Earl of Powis) or the late (Lord Craven).

About 20 years ago, the lock-up being in a very dilapidated state, the burgesses raised a sum by subscription among themselves for its repair, and have since been allowed to receive the rent of the saddler's shop (£1) nominally, however only, for none has actually been paid. The lock-up answers all the purpose here required for confinement of prisoners.

**Property: Common.**

16.—The Charter provides "that all and singular "the Burgesses aforesaid and their heirs and assigns, "have free common of pasture for all their cattle every-"where within the whole manor of Ruyton, with its "members, where other tenants, as well free as others, "do common." And, in point of fact, a right of common is exercised by them upon a common consisting of about 36 acres, called Cliffe. This right has been used by all inhabitants of New Ruyton whether holding inclosed lands or not, without interruption, and for all their sheep without stint. The sheep of the inhabitants of Old Ruyton, depasturing there, have been occasionally impounded. This is the only property of the Burgesses.

**Patronage: Registry of Wills.**

17.—There is no patronage, Ecclesiastical or Civil, belonging exclusively to the Borough. A Court for the Registration of Wills and Administrations is held by prescription for the whole Lordship: but it has no exclusive powers or jurisdiction: and the very rare instances in which it has been used of late years, are those in which, the property being very small, it was desirable to diminish expense as much as possible. In the last 34 years, only two Wills have been proved in it; and no Administrations granted.

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**2860, General state: Church.**

18.—The living of Ruyton is a Vicarage, in the Diocese of Lichfield and Coventry, and in the patronage of the Crown.

The present Vicar, the Rev. George Evans, M.A., of Christ's Church, Oxford, has held it about ten years, without any other preferment, doing the entire duty himself.

The gross value is about £310 per annum. The Church is calculated to accommodate about 360 persons. The population of the entire Parish is about 950.

**School.**

19.—There is a National School in connexion with the Church, established by subscriptions in land and money, vested in Trustees to the use of the School.

It has at present about 85 Scholars, and is said to be well regulated.

**Dissenting Congregation.**

20.—A meeting of Independent Methodists has been recently established here, who have erected a Chapel, to which there is much resort from the neighbouring Townships.

They have not yet connected any School with their establishment.

**Labouring Classes.**

21.—No manufactories have been, or are likely to be, established in this vicinity.

Able-bodied labourers can procure employment in Agriculture, at all seasons, without much difficulty, at weekly wages of about nine shillings.

**Poor.**

22.—This is one of the thirteen united Parishes contributory to the House of Industry at Oswestry.

It is not easy under any circumstances, and impossible on a cursory Inquiry of a few hours, to obtain accurate testimony from impartial sources, on any subject connected with the regulation of the Poor. Here it is said that the House of Industry is very unpopular, that old people especially consider it almost as death to be removed from their relatives and prefer to live upon 1/6 per week rather than become inmates of the Workhouse; and it is stated that, in fact, there is not one Pauper there from the Borough of Ruyton, and very few from the Parish at large.

**Poor Rates.**

23.—The practice here is to make quarterly collections for the Poor Rate. For the year ending Easter, 1833, 4/- in the Pound on an assessment estimated at about one-fifth of the Rack-Rent, was levied. The total amount applied to the relief of the Poor was for that year £292 12s. od. It has not varied during the last twelve years.

**Public Houses and Beer Shops.**

24.—There are three Public-houses in the Borough, and only one Beer-shop, which is said to do very little business, and hitherto not to have done any harm. It is at a distance from the town of about a quarter of a mile.

Durham, 21st May, 1834.

Geo. H. Wilkinson.

The following Documents are sent with this Report:—

A.—Translation of the Charter of the Earls of Arundell to Ruyton.

B.—Letter from Mr. Edwards.

C.—Latin copy of the "Carta de Ruyton Com. "Salop. 22. Apr. 8. Hen. 6th."

To All Christian People to whom this present writing may come, John Earl of Arundell and Lord of Mountravers sendeth greeting in the Lord Everlasting.

We have seen a certain writing of confirmation of a Charter of Edmund late Earl of Arundell our ancestor made to the Burgesses of our Town of Ruyton their heirs and assigns by Richard Earl of Arundell and Surry, to the following Tenor, Richd. Earl of Arundell and Surry, to all to whom this present writing should come, greeting in the Lord, We have seen a certain writing of Edmund our Grandfather, late Earl of Arundell, in these words.

To all men to whom this present writing may be seen or heard, Edmund Earl of Arundell sendeth greeting in the Lord Everlasting, know ye that we have granted and by this our present Charter confirmed to our beloved and faithful Burgesses of Ruyton and to their heirs and assigns that they may have free Borough in the Town of Ruyton, And we have given and have granted to everyone that have taken or henceforth may be willing to take one place of Burgage and three acres of Field land to have and to hold for us and our heirs to themselves and to their heirs and assigns freely for ever rendering therefrom yearly to us and our heirs for each Burgage, twelve-pence, and each acre of land four-pence at two terms of the year. One-half to wit at the feast of St. Michael and the other half at the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary for all things and demands. We have granted also for us and our heirs that the aforesaid Burgesses and assigns be free of Toll, Passage and Pontage through all our lands, and also of Heriots, Reliefs, Tillage, and of all other customs belonging to us and our heirs for ever. And that the aforesaid Burgesses may have the Laws and Customs of Bristol whole and inviolable for ever. So that no Baliff of ours do in no wise set his hand against the Laws and Customs aforesaid to the loss of the said Burgesses

nor enter there to the prejudice of the same. And that they may have the Laws and Customs aforesaid as wholly and freely, as the Citizens of HEREFORD, or the Burgesses of SHREWSBURY hold them in all things to the same Law belonging for ever. And that from henceforth no one may do any Merchandize in the Borough aforesaid, unless it be of the said Law, or by the consent of the Burgesses. And that the Burgesses aforesaid may have a Gild Mercat, with assize of Bread and Ale, and with all things to the same Gild belonging. So that if any stranger may come into the said Borough and hold land and be in Scot and Lot with the Burgesses aforesaid for one year and one day, he may remain there free, and never be hindered by his Lord: We have granted also to the same, that they may be able to attack, imprison, and of themselves, to judge all thieves, homicides and evil doers that may come into the said Borough. And if it happens that we or our heirs take any victuals of the Burgesses aforesaid, we do satisfy them of the price within forty days then next following. But if we do not, we may take nothing more from them until we have made satisfaction of the debt aforesaid, except this, that for each brewing that they have brewed in the Borough aforesaid, they will give to us and our heirs, three gallons of ale, we will also, and have granted for us and our heirs, hat no one do presume to Brew, sell or buy in our Lordship of RUYTON, with its Members, where our power lies unless by the consent of the Burgesses aforesaid, and leave of the same. And that all and singular the Burgesses aforesaid and their heirs and assigns have free common of pasture for all their Cattle every where within the whole manor of RUYTON, with its Members, where other Tenants, as well free as others do common, and that a free Court be made out and held of three weeks in three weeks if it be necessary, and that no one of them be impleaded nor adjudged, unless in the said Court, and that by their equals.

And we the said EDMUND, EARL OF ARUNDELL, and our heirs all the Burgages aforesaid, lands and tenements aforesaid, with all and singular, the Liberties, Laws, free Customs and easements, and all other their appurtenances aforesaid, to all and singular the Burgesses and their heirs and assigns, as well present, as to come against all men, will warrant, acquit and for ever defend.

In WITNESS WHEREOF to this present writing, we have put our Seal, dated at RUYTON, Sunday next before the feast of Nativity of St. John the Baptist, in the second year of the reign of the Lord King Edward son of King Edward, which certain writing to the same Burgesses and their successors. We approve, ratify and confirm in all things, so that we, nor our heirs by reason of this present ratification of Right and Royalty, which we and our ancestors of old have had, or ought to have against the said Burgesses and their successors in nothing prejudge and exclude in future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF to these presents, we have caused our Seal to be put. Dated at our Castle Philipp, First day of Septr. in the Seventeenth year of the reign of King Richard the Second. Which same Charter and writing with all and singular its Liberties and Franchises in this said Charter contained. We the same EARL JOHN for us and our heirs to our beloved Burgesses of our town of Ruyton aforesaid, their heirs and successors, we approve, ratify, and by these presents confirm. In Witness, we have put our Seal to these presents. Dated the 22nd day of April, in our Manor, London, in the 8th year of the reign of King Henry 6th after the Conquest.

## RYTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, commencing 1724 *(very badly kept, and records of Births, Burials and Marriages ending at different times).*

Register of Baptisms, 1770—1812.

„ „ 1813—in use.

„ Banns and Marriages, 1755—1812.

„ Marriages, 1813—1836.

„ „ 1838—in use.

„ Burials, 1813—in use.

A small octavo book *(apparently* a Register of Burials—*mutilated),* 1678—1717.

Various loose leaves, *apparently* part of a Register *(small octavo)* of Marriages and Baptisms—various dates, 1663—1680.

Overseers' Account Book, 1687—1764, also containing Churchwardens' Accounts from 1692—1764.

Overseers' Account Book, 1813—1836.

Parish Constable's Account Book, 1730—1818.

Poor 'Levy' Book, 1818—1836.

'Highway Book' (Surveyor of Highways Account Book) 1810—1836.

Conveyance, dated 26th September, 1849, from R. Simpson and E. Lloyd by direction of Ed. Hobson to the Minister and Churchwardens of the parish of Ryton of site for National School.

Certain Licences of Curates.

Bundle of miscellaneous papers (Bastardy Orders, &c., &c.)

Tithe Map and Award, dated 5th December, 1840, *kept at the Rectory.*

## SAMBROOK.

*(Sambrook is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in 1857 from the parishes of Chetwynd, Cheswardine, and Edgmond.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1856—in use.
" Marriages, 1857—in use.
" Banns, 1857—in use.
" Burials, 1857—in use.

Tithe Map, dated 1864.

Copy deed of annexation, dated 14th July, 1864, of part of Tithe Rent Charges belonging to the Rectory of Chetwynd.

Copy Terrier, dated 1884.

Miscellaneous papers.

## ST. ALKMOND'S *(Leaton).*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the office of the Clerk of the Parish Council, Talbot Chambers, Shrewsbury, viz:—

Minute Book.

Precept Book.

Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.
Receipt and Payment Book and vouchers for same.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the safe in Leaton Church, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1859—in use.
" Marriages, 1861—in use.
" Banns, 1861—in use.
" Burials, 1860—in use.

Terrier, dated 1884.

Deed of Gift, dated 1892, from A.P. LLoyd and A. H. O. LLoyd, to the Rev. James Mackay, of a piece of land as site for a Mission Room.

Miscellaneous papers.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## ST. GEORGE'S.

*(NOTE.—St. George's, at the time of our inspection, was an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in 1861 from the parishes of Shifnal, Lilleshall, and Wrockwardine Wood. The civil parish of St. George's was created by "The County of Salop (Oakengates) Urban District 'Order, 1897," and is a parish within the said Urban District.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1806—1835.
" " 1835—1859.
" " 1859—in use.
" Marriages, 1838—in use.
" Banns, 1889—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1864.
" " 1864—1876.
" " 1876—1890.
" " 1891—in use.

Vestry Meeting Minute Book, 1861—in use.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## ST. MARTIN'S.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a bureau in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Treasurer's Account Book.
Cheque Book.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following documents are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—

Tithe Apportionment Award, dated 1837.

Tithe Map of the township of Ifton Rhyn in the parish of St. Martins, dated 1838.

Tithe Map of the townships of Weston Rhyn and Bronygarth, dated 1838.

"Register of the Churchwardens of St. Martins parish since the "year 1752. Transcribed out of the old Book in the year 1808." 1752—1856.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1841—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1881—in use.

Chirk Inclosure—Perambulation of boundaries, dated 1840.

Various sheets of Parchment containing descriptions and Maps of Allotments in the various townships in the Parish. *(NOTE.—In bad condition.)*

*Two visits were paid to this parish and on each occasion the Vicar refused to allow an inspection of the Registers, &c.*

## SELATTYN.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Rector, who is Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Minute Book.
Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Contribution Orders.
Financial Statements.

Map showing additions to Great Western Railway Station at Gobowen.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**

*(NOTE.—Two visits have been made to this Parish for the purpose of inspecting these documents. On the first occasion the Rector was away, but did not write to say so although nine days' notice of the intended visit*

*had been given him. On the second visit the Rector was seen, but he refused to allow the documents to b inspected and stated that they were kept at the Rectory.)*

*The following Tithe Maps, &c., are kept at the office of Messrs. Longueville & Co., Oswestry, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the parish of Selattyn, dated 1840.

Altered Apportionment and Map of certain lands in the parish of Selattyn, dated 1856.

## SHAWBURY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up box in the schoolroom, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Precept Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a wooden safe in the Church, viz:—

Book containing:—
{ Vestry Minutes, 1812—1836.
{ Overseers' Accounts, 1799—1823.

Overseers' Account Book, 1668(?)—1681. *(NOTE.—This book is very mutilated, worn and partly undecipherable.)*

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| Overseers' | Account Book, | 1710—1752. |
| | Do. | 1751—1774. |
| | Do. | 1774—1793. |
| | Do. | 1793—1822. |
| | Do. | 1798—1822. |
| | Do. | 1799—1836. |
| | Do. | 1822—1835. |
| Churchwardens' | Account Book | 1713—1761. |
| | Do. | 1760—1828. |

"The Poors Book," 1793—1813—containing particulars of assistance, pecuniary and otherwise, granted to poor people in the parish.

Enclosure Award of Little Wytheford Heath in the parish of Shawbury, dated 22nd March, 1821.

Articles of Agreement for the enclosure of Wytheford Heath, dated 10th August, 1820.

Various papers in connection with Charities.

Various Orders of Removal, Bastardy Orders, Apprenticeship Indentures, Settlements, &c.

*The following are kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—*

General Register, 1551—1597.
Do. 1618—1714.
Do. 1714—1744.
Do. 1744—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1783.

Register of Births and Baptisms, 1783—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1844.
" " 1844—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1804.
" Marriages, 1804—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns, 1824—1886.
" Burials, 1813—1862.
" " 1862—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1633—1664.
Do. 1664—1711.

Vestry Minute Book, 1837—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 25th January, 1840.

## SHELVE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Chairman, viz:

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 30th December, 1840.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in Hope Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1583—1743.
Do. 1744—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1835.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

# SHERIFFHALES.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Two Minute Books.
Sub-Committee Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Pass Book.
Charities' Account Book.
Treasurer's do.
Portfolio.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following documents &c., are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1557—1655. *The following extract from a transcription of this Register was very kindly supplied by the Vicar, viz:—*

"THE REGESTER BOOKE OF
"THE PARRYSHE OF
"SHERYF-HALES:

Anno Domini 1557 et anno "Philippi et "Marie 3 et 4 — "Wyllyam Horsebrucke & Wyllyam Dycher "were buried the 16 daie of Apryll.

"Elyzabethe Cowper wydow was buryed the 19 daie of Apryll.

"Alice wief of john Parcar was buried the 25 daie of Apryll.

"Francys sonn of Anthonie et Margerie Patericke was baptized "the 26 of Aprill.

"george sonn of Rycharde et Elynor Smythe was baptized the "29 of Apryll.

"Margerie Lockeley wyddow was buried the 9 daie of maie.

"Francis son of Anthonie et Margerie Patericke was buried the "15 maie.

"john sonn of Thomas and Elyzabethe Handleye was buryed the "22 daie of maie.

"Wyllyam Lawrence was buried the 24 of maye.

"Chrystopher sonn of john and johan Bucke was buried the 17 "daye of june.

"Nycholas Walker and Elyzabethe mylles were married the 22 of "june.

"Anne daughter of Chrystopher and margerie Bucke was buried "the 3 of julie.

"Wyllyam sonn of john and Sybble Byll was buried the 5 of "juli.

"margarie daughter of Thomas and johan mostum was baptized "the 12 of julie.

"johan daughter of john and johan Barber was buried the 14 of "julie.

"margerie daughter of john and margaret Cowper was baptized "the 14 of julie."

General Register, 1656—1710.
Do. 1710—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1765.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1766—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1862.
" " 1862—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1795.
" " 1795—1812.
" " 1813—1842.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1848 (Sheriffhales).
Do. do., 1849 (Chapelry of Woodcote).

*The following documents, &c., are kept in the parish chest, viz:—*

Sheriffhales Common Award, dated 1772.

Poors Book, *i.e., Overseers' Account Book*, 1816—1837.

Heath Hill Highway Book, 1841—1861.

Valuation Book by John Jellicoe, dated 1837.

Surveyor's Account Book, 1862.

Sundry papers relating to Domiciles, Removals, and Apprenticeship Indentures.

Sundry papers relating to Charities.

## SHIFNAL.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in deed boxes in the Clerk's office, viz:—

Draft and fair copy Minute Book for Parish Meetings of Shifnal Ward.

Draft and fair copy Minute Books for Parish Meetings of Prior's Lee Ward.

Two draft and two fair copy Minute Books for Parish Council.
Do. do. do. Committees.
Declaration Book.
Attendance Register.
Standing Orders.
Precept Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Statements of Account of Charities.
Clerk's Receipt and Payment Book.
Book of appointment of Overseers and notification to Guardians.
Two Letter Books.

Numerous letters, &c., from the Local Government Board, Charity Commissioners, Land Owners as to Allotments, County Council, Highway Surveyors, District Council, Lighting Inspectors, also Estimates for repairs to Fire Engine, &c., &c.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following documents &c., are kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1678—1740.
Do. 1740—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1777.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1778—1812.
" " 1813—1842.
" " 1843—1871.
" " 1871—1894.
" " 1894—in use.
Register of Banns and Marriages, 1754—1772.
" " " 1772—1804.
" Marriages, 1806—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—1847.
" " 1847—1855.
" " 1855—1861.
" " 1861—1869.
" " 1869—1879.
" " 1879—1893.
" " 1893—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1842.
" " 1843—1877.
" " 1878—in use.
Declarations relating to Charities.
Old Receipts, &c.

*The following documents, &c., are kept in an oak bureau in the 'Parvise or Priest's Room' over the Church Porch, viz:—*

Register containing copy of the Parochial Charities. *(N.B.—The deeds relating to these Charities cannot be found, but the Charities are very numerous and important)*, beginning 1667, and Accounts of Charity distribution by Churchwardens down to 1853.

Book containing Accounts of distribution of Charity, 1868—in use.

Church Rate Book from 1818 to 1837, also containing certain entries as to per appropriation.

Vestry Meeting Minute Books, 1813—in use.

Book containing entries of Apprenticeship Indentures and Accounts of Levies for Poor Rate and distribution.

Award of Commissioners, dated 21st December, 1786, dividing and allotting Lizard Common in the parish of Idsal, otherwise Shifnal.

Award of Commissioners, dated 31st November, 1794, dividing, allotting, and enclosing five open common fields called Shifnal Town Field, otherwise Pool Field, otherwise Drayton Field, &c., in Idsal, otherwise Shifnal.

Award, dated 27th November, 1818, by Mr. Charles Morris as to repairs, &c., of Park Lane Road.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1841.

Altered Apportionment, dated 1855.

## SHINETON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Chairman's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1894—in use.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1711—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1779.

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| Register of Births, Baptisms and Burials, | | 1780—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1834. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do . |

Churchwardens' Account Book. 1777—1809.
Do. do. 1809—1825.
Do. do. and Vestry Minute Book, 1826—1834; also containing a statement of the names and holdings, &c., of the inhabitants of the parish in 1826.

Overseers' Account Book, 1806—1818.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1st January, 1842, *kept at the Rectory.*

## SHIPTON.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman at his house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1538—1812 *(copy only).*
Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1813—1839.
" " 1839—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

## SHRAWARDINE.

*(NOTE.—The living of Shrawardine is a Rectory to which is attached the Vicarage of Montford.)*

No Parish Meeting documents.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1664—1759—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812. *(NOTE.—There is a Terrier on the first page of this Register)*

General Register, 1705—1751.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—in use. |
| " | Banns and Marriages, | 1759—1812. |
| " | Marriages, | 1813—1853 |
| " | " | 1837—in use. |
| " | Banns, | 1826— do. |
| " | Burials, | 1813— do. |

*(NOTE.—The Tithe Map and Award, dated 13th December, 1847, is kept at Montford Vicarage—see list of Montford documents.)*

# SHREWSBURY.

*The borough of Shrewsbury is divided, ecclesiastically, into ten parishes or districts, as follows, viz:—*

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|---|---|
| *All Saints'.* | *St. George's.* |
| *Holy Cross.* | *St. Giles'.* |
| *Holy Trinity.* | *St. Julian.* |
| *St. Alkmond.* | *St. Mary.* |
| *St. Chad.* | *St. Michael.* |

## ALL SAINTS' *(Shrewsbury).*

*(The ecclesiastical parish of All Saints' was formed from the parish of St. Michael in 1883.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1871—1882.—The following is a copy of a Note on the 1st page of this Register, viz:—

"NOTE.—That Baptisms in this district between "October, 1870, and December, 1877, entered in the "Registers for St. Michael's, Shrewsbury."

Register of Baptisms, 1882—1893.
" " 1893—in use.
" Marriages, 1883— do.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1884—in use.

Various Church Vouchers, &c.

London Gazettes.

Deeds, &c., in connection with the site for School.

## HOLY CROSS (Abbey) *(Shrewsbury).*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe built in the wall in the Vestry of the Abbey Church, viz:—

General Register, 1541—1592.—The following note appears on the cover of this Register, viz:—

"from September 1541 to May 1592 as appears at present "in its damaged state; there is no doubt that it began some-"what earlier as some leaves are evidently worn away—1804."

*(NOTE.—The Register is a* paper *volume and is very dilapidated.)*

General Register, 1560—1602.
do. 1661—1718.

Register containing:—
(1) Baptisms and Marriages, 1718—1754.
(2) Baptisms, 1754—1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1853.
" " 1854—in use.
" Banns, 1795—1845.
" Marriages, 1754—1790.
" " 1790—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—1883.
" " 1883—in use.

Register of Burials in Woollen, 1678—1737. *This Register contains the following:—*

"Hannah Julit was excommunicated on ye 17 day of "August 1707 by me Sam Pearson"

"Hoc Mandat Exocutu fuit decimo Septimo die Sextitis "1707

"pe. me Sam Pearson, Vic."

"By virtue of this mandate from the Court of Lichfield "Hannah Julit of this parish for her contumacy and contempt "to the said Court is to be excommunicated. Therefore by the "Authority aforesaid I pronounce that the said Hannah Julit "is excommunicated."

"Died Oct 14 1712 entered in this book P.W."

*The following is also extracted from the same Register, viz:—*

"To the Churchwardens or Overseers of the poor of the "parish of Broughton in the Liberties of Shrewsbury or to "any one of them.

"These are to give you notice that Dorothy the wife of "Samuell Newton of Broughton aforesaid was Buried in the "said parish on the 22d day of June last past And that there "was not any affidavit brought to me of her being buried in "Wollen within the space of eight days next after her "Interment As by Act of Parliament for burying in Wollen "is required Wittness my hand the seventh day of July 1707

"Samuell Pearson Curate"

"A copy of this was delivered
"on the Seventh day of July
"1707 to Mr. Roger Hoddins in
"the presence of Samll. Newton
"and Samuel Pearson, Senr."

Register of Burials, 1738—1812.
" " 1813—1858.
" " 1841—1888.
" " 1859—1894.

Index to Vaults Book, 1868—1898.

Population of Holy Cross and St. Giles, dated 1821.

Book of Accounts of Langley's, Prynce's and Gorsuch's Charities, 1830—1858.

**Ths following are kept in a safe standing on the floor of the Vestry, viz. :—**

Manuscript volume endorsed "Notes relating to the Abbey Parish "Church Estate, Shrewsbury, compiled from ancient deeds and Docu- "ments preserved in the parish Chest by the Rev. Wm. Allport "Leighton, B.A., formerly Curate, St. Giles Church, 1860."

Printed copy of same dated 1877 (reprinted from the transactions of the Shropshire Archeological Society).

Account Book of Prynce's Charity, 1732—1790.

Churchwardens' Account Book endorsed "the Poors Account of * * Churchwardens of the parish of Holy Cross and St. Giles, 1721—1755.

do. 1755—1790.
do. 1757—1764.
do. 1772—1787.
do. 1789—1823.

Parish Book containing Churchwardens' Accounts, various memoranda affecting the parish, Minutes of Parish Meetings, &c., 1610—1729.

Do. do. 1729—1808.

Account Book, 1728—1780—relating, apparently, to receipts and payments in respect of the Workhouse and Church fees, &c.

Book endorsed "Poll of the Parish taken for the purpose of taking "votes of the ratepayers as to whether or not the Angel Inn (being "Church Property) should be closed, 7th April, 1887."

Book endorsed "Poll taken for the election of Churchwardens, 15th "April, 1887."

Book (1804—1827) endorsed "Briefs—parish of Holy Cross and St. "Giles, 1804."

Minute Book of the Abbey Restoration Committee, 1860—1862.
do. do. 1862—1865.

"Faculty for the sale of the Great Bell, dated 23 Decr., 1731."

Bundle containing papers relating to Chancery proceedings with reference to parish lands, and other documents.

Miscellaneous papers relating to properties belonging to the parish.

Various Deeds relating, apparently, to parish property, 1613 to 1680.

Bundle of old leases of ditto.

Several bundles of ditto.

Altered Apportionment in lieu of Tithes, dated 23rd November, 1855.

**The following are kept in a wooden chest in the Vestry, viz :—**

Great quantity of rate books, vouchers, &c.

Terrier, dated 1783, *framed and hung in Vestry.*

Terrier, dated 1841, *Ditto.*

"Map of the Parish of Holy Cross and St. Giles, Shrewsbury"—*kept in a cupboard in the Vestry. (NOTE.—The parish property is shown on this map.)*

## HOLY TRINITY (Belle Vue) *(Shrewsbury).*

*(The ecclesiastical district of Holy Trinity (or Coleham) was formed from the parish of St. Julian in 1840.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz :—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms, | 1840—1852. |
| ,, | ,, | 1853—1873. |
| ,, | ,, | 1873—1882. |
| ,, | ,, | 1882—1897. |
| ,, | ,, | 1897—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1841—1868. |
| ,, | ,, | 1868—1884. |
| ,, | ,, | 1884—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1841—1877. |
| ,, | ,, | 1877—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1838— do. |

Minute Book of Committee appointed with reference to building of Church, 1835—1842.

Account Book in connection with building of Church.

Various papers, plans, &c., relating to building of Schools.

Conveyance and title deeds of site for School.

Book of Subscription to St. Julian's Infants' School.

Various papers in connection with the endowment of Holy Trinity.

Stock receipt of Charity.

Various London Gazettes.

Terrier of buildings, land, tithe, &c., dated 1854.

Tithe Map and Award of "township, hamlet, or district of Coleham," dated 8th May, 1849.

## ST. ALKMUND *(Shrewsbury).*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar and Churchwardens.**—The following are kept in a cupboard in the Vestry, viz:—

Churchwardens' Account and Vestry Minute Book, 1734—1750.

Vestry Minute Book, 1755—1814.
do. 1787—1884.
do. 1815—in use.

Book containing Assessments of Parish and Churchwardens' Accounts, 1775—1804.

Book containing Assessments of Rates made by the Trustees appointed under an Act of Parliament for taking down and rebuilding the Church, also Churchwardens' Accounts, 1805—1833.

Assessments of the Parish made by the Churchwardens and Overseers and containing also Overseers' Accounts, 1779—1804.

Ditto ditto 1804—1833.

Two copies of "An Act for taking down and rebuilding the Parish "Church of Saint Alkmund in the Town of Shrewsbury in the County of "Salop, dated 17th April, 1794."

Minute Book of Trustees for taking down and rebuilding Church, 1794—1875.

Probate of the Will of Lucy Minors, dated 1692. *(The Testator bequeathed the sum of £10 to the parish.)*

Faculty authorizing certain alterations and improvements in the Church, dated 3rd December, 1896.

Conveyance made between Mrs. Margaret Mary Blornt, Widow, and the Vicar and Churchwardens granting a messuage or dwelling house in the parish of St. Alkmond for the purpose of the School, and various title deeds relating thereto.

Plans and Sections of Shropshire Railways, dated 1888.

Plans, Sections, and Book of Reference of Shrewsbury Corporation Waterworks, dated 1890.

Many miscellaneous papers, receipts, &c., relating to the Schools.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1793—1812—the Burials for 1806 being separately entered at one end of the Register.

Faculty for the complete restoration of the Church.

**The following Documents are kept in the safe in the Vestry, viz.:—**

General Register, 1559—1654.
Do. 1654—1710.
Do. 1710—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1761.

General Register *(apparently a copy)*, 1737—1799—last marriage entry, 1760.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1762—1792. |
| ,, | ,, | ,, 1793—1812 *(see above)*. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1858. |
| ,, | ,, | 1858—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1800. |
| ,, | ,, | 1800—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1888. |
| ,, | ,, | 1888—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1855. |
| ,, | ,, | 1855—1856.—NOTE.—There are also a few entries between 1860—1893. |

*The following Tithe Maps, &c., are kept at the office of Messrs. Craig, Solicitors, Shrewsbury, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the township of Preston Montford in the parish of St. Alkmond, dated the 18th June, 1850.

Do. do. of the lands called Hencott Grange and Hencott Stye in the parish of St. Alkmond, dated the 6th September, 1850.

Do. do. of the township of Harlescott in the parishes of St. Alkmond and *St. Mary*, dated the 6th September, 1850.

Do. do. of certain lands in the township of Castle Ward Within and Castle Foregate in the parishes of *St. Mary*, *St. Julian*, and St. Alkmond, dated the 4th February, 1852.

Altered Apportionment relating to the same township, dated 15th February, 1867.

## ST. CHAD *(Shrewsbury).*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an Iron safe, dated 1813, in the Vestry, viz:—

Miscellaneous deeds, receipts, and other documents, dating from 1663 to 1683.

Assessment of the parish for poor rate purposes, dated 10th July, 1727.

Tithe Maps and Awards of the following townships, viz:—

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|---|---|---|
| Woodcote and Horton, | dated | 24th October, 1842. |
| Whiteley and Welbatch, | ,, | 23rd January, 1844. |
| Betton Alkmere, | ,, | 1st February, 1844. |
| Crow Meole, | ,, | 13th February, 1844. |
| Shelton and Oxon, | ,, | 30th January, 1845. |
| Bicton and Calcott, | ,, | 14th February, 1845. |
| Rossall Up and Down, | ,, | 23rd March, 1846. |
| Frankwell. | ,, | 24th June, 1851. |

Enclosure Award of Bickton Heath in the parish of St. Chad, dated 27th June, 1768.

Survey of the Parish, dated 1830.

A Book dating, apparently, from 16— to 1817 endorsed "a "Catologue of the gifts of Charitable uses of well disposed persons to "the Bayliffs and Burgesses of the Town of Shrewsbury and to the Poor "of the same town made in the time of Thomas Woolridge and John "Hankshead, Bayliffs."

Charities' Account Book, 1788—1830.
do. 1858—1889.
Charities' Minute Book, 1843—1875.

Account Book of the Trustees of St. Chad's Church for the rebuilding of the Church, 1835—1860.

Minute Book of the Trustees for the rebuilding of the Parish Church, 1789—1853.

Draft Minute Book of ditto, 1830—1870.

Parish Book, 1723—1785—containing Minutes, Accounts, and various memoranda relating to the Church.

Large quantity of miscellaneous papers relating to the building of St. Chad's School.

General Register, 1616—1638, endorsed "St Ceaddas Parysh" *(NOTE.—This Register is very handsomely bound in tooled leather.)*

General Register, 1639—1721. The following interesting notes appear in this register, viz:—

"December 1647—23 of this month that a woman burnt in the "quorell for poysong her husband."

"1648 the 30th January 1648 Kinge Charles was beheadded in "London."

"1650 June—The Plaige began in Shrowsbure the 12th June in "ffronkwell at John Pounds hoose Thomas Heayes Esqr. Maior "of Shrowsbury."

"1660 May 1. King Charles the second entred London one ye "29 of this instant May after 16 yeares exile & in the 12 yeare "of his raine it being the day one wich he was borne and the 30 "yeare of his age which day is yearly to be observed in memory "of his Majesties happie restoration whom god grant long to raine "A blessing to his Church & victorious over his enemies."

General Register, 1721—1754—then of Baptisms and Burials to 1769.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1769—1799. |
| " | " " | 1800—1812. |
| " | Baptisms, | 1813—1825. |
| " | " | 1825—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—1860. |
| " | " | 1860—in use. |
| " | Banns, | 1823—1829. |
| " | " | 1829—1835. |
| " | " | 1835—1846 |
| " | " | 1846—1864. |
| " | " | 1864—in use. |
| " | Marriages, | 1754—1764. |
| " | " | 1765—1777. |
| " | " | 1777—1791. |
| " | " | 1791—1807. |
| " | " | 1807—1812. |
| " | " | 1813—1822. |
| " | " | 1822—1832. |
| " | " | 1832—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—1846. |
| " | " | 1846—1855. |
| " | " | 1855—1865. |
| " | " | 1865—1876. |
| " | " | 1876—1894. |
| " | " | 1895—in use. |
| " | Burials in Woollen, | 1678—1719. |
| " | Burials, | 1813—1827. |
| " | " | 1827—1840. |
| " | " | 1840—1855. |
| " | " | 1855—in use. |

*The following is a copy of a Catalogue which Archdeacon Maude kindly lent us. The documents mentioned in it have been most carefully arranged and are in the safe in the Vestry, viz:—*

Catalogue of 28 miscellaneous deeds connected with St. Chad's Parish, and prior to the Reformation, supposed to have been lost when Henry VIII. took possession of the Abbey—arranged according to Dates.

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Collated and scheduled by Thomas Wright, Esq., M.A., F.S.A., Hon. M.R.S.L., &c, &c., Corresponding Member of the Imperial Institute of France (Academe des Inscriptions et Belle Lettres)—October, 1869.

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1280—1. Deed of transfer, by Richard le Corviser, of Shrewsbury, to William de Rushtone and his heirs, of a messuage, with its appurtenances adjoining the grange of Roger de Stauntone, in the street of Meryvans, adjacent to the walls of Shrewsbury with a garden. 9th Edward I. (1280). Seal gone.

2. Grant by Willliam de Ruschtone to Robert de Buldewas, chaplain, for a certain sum of money, of a place in Shrewsbury, of a place in the street of Murivans, paying for it a rose at the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. Without date, but in writing of the time of Edward II. Seal preserved, but indistinct.

1307—3. Grant by Richard le Corviser, of Shrewsbury, to Richard de Wrocceter, deacon, and Cecilia de Rustone, of a messuage joined to the grange of Roger de Stanton, in the street of Murivans, adjoining to the walls of Shrewsbury. Date 1st Edw. II. (1307). Seal lost.

1307—4. Grant by Richard de Wroccestre, deacon, and Cecilia de Ruston, to William de Ruston their kinsman, of a messuage adjoining the grange of Roger de Stantone, in the street of Murivans, adjoining the walls of Shrewsbury. Date 1 Ed. II. (1307). Seal lost.

1314—5. Grant by William Aleyn, of Shrewsbury, chaplain, to Robert de Buldewas, chaplain, of a tenement in Shrewsbury, in the street of Murivans. Date 7th Edw. II. (1314). Seal lost.

1323—6. Grant by William de Rustone, brother of the hospital of St. Giles, of Shrewsbury, to Roger, son of Robert de Wemme, of Shrewsbury, and Sebilla, his (William's) daughter, in free maritage, of a place of land, with a

garden adjoining, in the street called Murivans, on condition of their paying certain sums for the anniversaries of Peter de Lodelawe and Mabille, his wife. Date 16 Edw. II. (1323). Seal lost.

1327—7. Grant by Richard Derres and Juliana, his wife, to John de Aula, of Ondeslowe, and Sibilla, his wife, of a messuage in Shrewsbury, in the street of Mardefole, in Shrewsbury. Date 1 Edw., III. (1327). Two seals lost.

1330—8. Grant by the Dean and Chapter of St. Chad's for the repairs of the fabric of the Church, of all oblations to the altar of St. Martin's in that Church, for the term of 200 years. Date 1330. Seal lost.

1338—9. Lease by the dean and chapter of St. Chad to Peter de la Were, of Shrewsbury, of a messuage in Frankevile, on condition of repairs. Date 12 Edw. III. (1338).—Endorsed "Tenementum quod Petrus Crowe tenet in Ffrankvyle." Seal preserved.

1339—10. Grant by John de Pres, of Shrewsbury, to the keepers of the fabric of the church of St. Chad, for the support of a chaplain, annually to perform service of a rent for the term of 100 years, from a messuage in the street of Romaldesham, in Shrewsbury. Date 13 Edw. III. (1339). Seal lost.

1379—11. Will of Richard Russel, "barbour" of Shrewsbury, dated in 1379. leaving his dwelling-house and his goods and chattels to his wife Cecilia. With probate on the back. Seal preserved, but broken.

1382—12. Indenture of gift by Thomas de Haltone and Amicia, his wife to Robert de Graftone and Bebedita, his wife, of lands and tenements in Shrewsbury, formerly belonging to Henry de Westone, late husband of Amicia. Date 5th Rich. II. (1382). Two seals lost.

1386—13. The dean and canons and chapter of the collegiate church of St. Chad, appointing Richard de Estone, chaplain to a chantry in the church. Date 1386. Seal lost.

1406—14. Will of John Chester, of St. Chadd's parish. Date 1406. Seals preserved.

1415—15. Grant by Owain ap Davyd ap Gwilliam to John, son of Mag., son of Gynfred and Thangwystyl daughter of Gwyllim, his wife, of lands in Gwylyntone and Alychton. Date 3 Hen. V. (1415). Seal lost.

1422—16. Grant from William Quanyam, of Shrewsbury, chaplain to John Conva, chaplain, and Richard Attyncham, of Shrewsbury, of goods and chattels. Date 10 Hen. V. (1422). Seal lost.

1426—17. Letter of Administration of Thomas Chesterfelde, sequestrator and commissary general of the Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield to administer. the goods of Sir William Quonyam, priest, who died intestate. Date 1426. Seals lost.

1448—18. Grant of brotherhood from the chamberlains, keeper, and proctor of the Hospital of the Holy Trinity at Rome to Thomas Peynton. Date 1448. One Seal preserved, one broken.

1452—19. Quit claim of the Dean and Chapter and vicars of the collegiate church of St. Chadd to John Gamel of Shrewsbury, on a tenement in Shrewsbury, lying in the street of Stalles. Date 30 Hen. VI. (1452). Seal lost.

1459—20. Grant from the Guardians and surveyors of the fabric of the church of St. Chadd to John Beget, burgess of Shrewsbury, of lands and tenements in the Heystrete. Date 37 Henry VI. (1459). Seals preserved.

1459—21. Grant to John Beget by the surveyors of the service of the Holy Trinity, and the guardians and surveyors of the service of St. John the Baptist, in the same church, of a tenement in the street called Le Cornemarket. Date 37 Hen. VI. (1459). Seal preserved.

1459—22. Grant by John Beget, of Shrewsbury. to the guardians and surveyors of the fabric of St. Chad's, of lands and tenements in Shrewsbury, in the street called Le Heystrete. Date 37 Hen. VI. (1459). Seal preserved, but broken.

1461—23. Release of actions from Thomas Connyng to Thos. Peynton, Chaplain. Date 1 Edw. IV. (1461). Seal lost.

1461—24. Grant from John Beget to Thomas Walleforde, chaplain, and Richard Marchalle, of lands in Romoldesham, Fraunkevyle, and Castle Foregate. Date 1 Edw. IV. (1461). Seal preserved.

1465—25. Indenture of Agreement relating to arrears of rent due from Thomas Bottefelde to the wardens of the church of St. Chad. Date 5 Edward IV. (1465). Seals preserved.

1466—26. Will of Thomas Peynton, of Shrewsbury, chaplain. Date 1466.

1469—27. Grants of lands and tenements in Frankevile and Castle Foregate, from the guardians and surveyor of the fabric of the Church of St. Chad, to the guardians of the art of weaving in the said town of Shrewsbury. Date 9 Edward IV. (1469). Seals lost.

1498—28. Indenture between John Stury, of Roshall, on one part, and Robert Pleylys, of Shrewsbury, on the other, by which the former grants to the latter a tenement of Frankevyle. Date 13 Henry VII. (1498). Seal broken.

## ST. GEORGE *(Shrewsbury).*

*(The ecclesiastical parish of St. George was formed from the parish of St. Chad in 1836, and consists of the township of Frankwell.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz :—

Register of Baptisms, February 5th 1837—November 10th, 1850.
" " November 12th, 1850—August 18th, 1863.
" " August 30th, 1863—March 26th, 1873.
" " March 30th, 1873—July 8th, 1883.
" " July 15, 1883—February 19, 1893.
" " February 19th 1893—in use.
" Marriages *(on vellum)* 4 pages, 13th March, 1837—27th June, 1837.
" " July 3rd, 1837—August 21st, 1855.
" " August 21st, 1855—March 6th, 1884.
" " *(in duplicate)* March 9th, 1884—in use.
Book of Banns, 1879—1895.
" " 1896—in use.
Charity Book *(distribution of bread)*, 1832—1898.
*(No Tithe Map.)*

## ST. GILES *(Shrewsbury).*

*(The ecclesiastical district of St. Giles was formed from the parish of Holy Cross and St. Giles in 1857.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron chest at the Vicarage, viz :—

Register of Baptisms, 1857—in use.
" Banns, 1857— do.
" Marriages, 1857— do.
" Burials, 1878—1884. *(NOTE.—This Register only contains two entries.)*

## ST. JULIAN'S (*Shrewsbury*).

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following documents &c., are kept in an oak chest in the Vestry, viz:—

Assessment and Poor Account Book, 1783—1815.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1632—1693.

Book, dating from 1751 to 1797, and containing:—

(1) Churchwardens' Accounts,

(2) Parish Meeting Minutes and

(3) Church Rate Assessments.

*NOTE.—The following Memorandum appears on the first page of this Book, viz:—*

"The Account Book, April, 8th, 1751. Memorandum
"It is a custom when Wardens are elected to adjourn to a "public house.

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| "The Wardens elect pay each | 0. 3. 6. |
| "and—one shillings each to ye ringers | 0. 1. 0. |
| "and further pays equul with ye Company. | |
| "The Old Wardens pay each | 0. 2. 6. |
| "and pays equul with ye Company." | |

NOTE.—On the cover of this book is an Award and Map, dated the 20th June, 1791, signed by Thomas Telford and relating to certain property in Fish Street and High Street in the parishes of St. Alkmund and St. Julian's.

And on page 8 an Award, dated 25th November, 1751, relating to the repair of a highway at Old Heath.

Book containing Churchwardens' Accounts, Minutes of Parish Meetings, &c., 1693—1724.

"A duplicate of the Poor's Account of the parish of St. Julian's "in the year 1766, as given in to the Justices of the Peace for the "Town and Libertys of Shrewsbury." —*(NOTE.—The Accounts are continued periodically to 1774 and are signed by the Churchwardens.)*

Do. Do. 1753—1765.

"Book of Marriage Licences," 1828—1862, endorsed "These "Marriage Licences were collected, arranged, and bound in this Volume "when I was one of the Churchwardens of St. Julian's Parish. Jos. "Humphreys, 23 April, 1863."

*(NOTE.—A similar endorsement also appears on the two following Books.)*

"Book of Certificates of the Registry of 'Deaths,' 1837—1844."
"Do. Do. 1844—1856."

Bundle of Deeds relating to property belonging to the Church in Scotland Street, Ellesmere *(Charity).*

Book *(newly-bound)* of 183 Sheets, containing *(inter alia)*—

(1) Church Assessments and Overseers' Accounts—earliest date, 1622, continued to 1718.
(2) Register of Briefs, 1706—1734.
(3) Charity Accounts, 1671—1715.

Charity Book *(distribution of money and bread to the Poor)* 1829—1850.

*There is another oak chest in the Vestry which contains miscellaneous papers, rate books, &c. &c.*

*The following books, documents, &c., are kept in the safe on floor in the Vestry, viz:—*

General Register, 1559—1711, endorsed "The Register of all the "Chrystenings, Weddings, and Burialls in the prisye of St. Julian's in "Salopp beginninge in the later end of the first yeare of the raigne of "Queene of Elyzabeth and in the yeare of our lord god 1559."

General Register, 1712—1741—then several entries on the last two pages (from 1719 to 1739) such as the following, viz:—

"Dec. 26, 1722. Elizabeth daughter of Samuel and Ruth "Symonds said to be by an Independt teacher. Baptized."

General Register, 1741—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812, *but several copies of Marriages which took place subsequent to 1754 have been entered.*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1804—1810 *(transcript only).*
" Burials, 1813—1840.

Schedule of deeds and papers made in 1844 and presented to the parish by J. Humphreys.

Bundle of deeds and papers relating to a Rent Charge of £12 5s. 0d. per annum, issuing out of Sutton Mill in the Parish of St. Julian's, 1609—1746.

Two Deeds, dated 1670, relating to a Rent Charge of £5 per annum out of the Long Park in the parish of Uffington, in the County of Salop, £2 10s. 0d. of which is payable to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the parish of St. Julian's.

Bundle of deeds and papers relating to a Rent Charge of £4 per annum payable by the Corporation of Shrewsbury to the Churchwardens of the parish of St. Julian's.

Authority, dated 8th August, 1836, "from His Majesty's Com-"missioners for building new Churches, for the purchase of a piece of "land to extend the Church Yards, and to make, levy, raise, and collect "Rates for the purpose of raising the money to pay for same."

Disclaimer, dated 25th November, 1775, made between Francis Dickin and others to the Parishoners of St. Julian's and relating to a Watercourse which formerly emptied itself into the Churchyard of St. Julian's.

Deed of Bargain and Sale of land for a burial ground, dated 7th July, 1810, and made between John Oakley and his Trustee by the direction of the Earl of Tankerville and others to the Churchwardens of St. Julian's—also other papers in connection therewith.

Papers and Accounts in connection with the collection, &c., of Pulley Tythes, 1653—1654.

Bundle of papers in connection with Charities.

Bundle of receipts and papers relating to the bread money.

Bundle of copies of wills relating to bequests to the Church.

Three "Catologues of the Charitable gifts given by several "persons for charitable uses to the parish and Minister of the Parish "of St. Julian's in the Town of Shrewsbury in the County of Salop."

Copy of the will and 3 codicils, dated 28th May, 1756, of Mr. Richard Williams—and other papers connected with the legacies left by him to the Church.

Title Deeds of the "Loppington Estate" (Farm, &c.), the rents of which the Vicar receives as a portion of his Stipend.

Bargain and Sale, dated 29th August, 1794. made between Robert Corbett, Esq., and another and the Minister of St. Julian, Salop, of a house and other hereditaments on Wyle Cop, Shrewsbury.

An Award, dated 24th April, 1822, of Mr. Wm. Jellicoe, between the Churchwardens of St. Julian's and Mr. Thos. Stanton with reference to a Lease on certain property at Ellesmere.

Declaration of office before Commissioner of the Churchwardens for the year 1845.

Copies of permissions to allow Incumbent to reside out of his Parish.

Terrier, dated 7th Setpember, 1841.
Do. 14th August, 1845.

*The following books, documents, &c., are kept in the safe in the wall of the Vestry, viz:—*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1811—1812. |
| „ | Baptisms, | 1813—1833. |
| „ | „ | 1833—1882. |
| „ | „ | 1882—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1754—1791. |
| „ | „ | 1791—1812. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1837. |
| „ | „ | 1837—1870. |
| „ | „ | 1870—in use. |

Register of Burials from 1841 to the close of Churchyard in 1856 —*a few entries since by special order of Home Office.*

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Shelton in the parish of St. Julian's, dated 8th January, 1849.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Coton in the parishes of St. Mary and St. Julian's, dated 26th April, 1850.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Pulley in the parish of St. Julian's, dated 7th September, 1850.

Altered Apportionment of the Rent Charge in lieu of Tithes in the township, hamlet, or district of Coleham in the parish of St. Julian's, dated 28th December, 1853.

Charity Account Book, 1859—1875.

London Gazette.

Miscellaneous papers.

Terrier, dated 20th April, 1869, *framed and hung in the Vestry.*

*(See list of documents for "St. Alkmund," Shrewsbury, which includes Tithe Map and Apportionment and Altered Apportionment for the township of Castle Ward Within and Castle Foregate, partly within this parish.)*

## ST. MARY *(Shrewsbury).*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1584—1691. *The following is a copy of the entry on the first page, viz:—*

"The Regester of all the christainges, Burialls and Marriages in "the parish of St. Maries in the Towne of Shrewsburie in the

"Countie of Salop—Beginning in Aprill 1584, truely copied out of "the ould Regester Booke and examined

"Anno dni 1640

"James Belton Doctor in Divinity being then Rector of the said "Parish and judge of that peculiar jurisdiction and Mr Humphrey "Hardwicke Maister of Artes the minister under him there.

"John Beddoe )
"Adam Olliver ) Churchwardens."
"Griffith Evans )

General Register, 1691—1732.

do. 1732—1753—then of Baptisms and Burials to 1775.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1775—1806.

do. do. 1807—1812 — containing an entry as to the "state of the Registers of this Parish taken May 31st 1813" and signed by "J. B. Blakeway, Minister."

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1827. |
| " | " | 1828—1847. |
| " | " | 1847—1871. |
| " | Marriages, | 1754—1771. |
| " | " | 1771—1783. |
| " | " | 1783—1804. |
| " | " | 1805—1812. |
| " | " | 1813—1830. |
| " | " | 1830—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—1849. |
| " | " | 1849—1862. |
| " | " | 1862—1876 *(in the Vestry).* |
| " | " | 1876—1894. |
| " | Burials, | 1813—1848. |
| " | " | 1848—1892. |
| " | " | for *parish of St. Michael's*, 1830—1850. |
| " | " | Do. 1850—1855. |

Assessment of the parish for the purposes of raising a rate to repair the Church and to defray other Church expenses, dated 1824.

Ditto ditto 1817—1818.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1627—1703, containing also memoranda affecting the parish and entries of amounts raised on Briefs.

Book containing Assessment of the parish for Church purposes, Churchwardens' Accounts and Vestry Minutes, 1769—1805.

Vestry Minute Book, 1812—1888.

*The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1871—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1862—1876. |
| „ | „ | 1876—1894 *(in the Church).* |
| „ | „ | 1894—in use. |

*(See list of documents for "St. Alkmund," Shrewsbury, which includes Tithe Map and Apportionment and Altered Apportionment for the township of Castle Ward Within and Castle Foregate, partly within this parish.)*

## ST. MICHAEL *(Shrewsbury).*

*(The ecclesiastical parish of St. Michael was formed from the parish of St. Mary in 1854. All Saints' ecclesiastical parish being subsequently (1883) formed from St. Michael.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1854—1884. |
| „ | „ | 1884—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1854—1874. |
| „ | „ | 1884—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1854—1883. |
| „ | „ | 1883—in use. |

„ Burials, 1854—to 1st December, 1856, when Churchyard closed for ordinary Burials—a few subsequent entries of Burials in Vaults—the last entry at the time of inspection was in 1891.

*(NOTE.—There are two Registers of Burials in St. Michael's Churchyard kept at St. Mary's (Shrewsbury) Church,* i.e., *1830—1850 and 1850—1855.)*

Account Book of Derfald Court Estate Charity founded by the Rev. W. G. Rowland, 1851—in use. *(NOTE.—There is a gap between 1885 and 1892.)*

Vestry Minute Book, 1861—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1864—1885.

Church repairs Account, 1861—1885.

**The following documents are kept in a wooden chest in the porch, viz.** —

Papers in connection with the closing of the Churchyard in 1856.

London Gazettes in connection with the assigning of the District of All Saints'.

Miscellaneous papers, Church Vouchers, &c., &c.

Two bundles of Plans of Church.

Vouchers, &c., in connection with the Derfald Court Estate Charity.

**The following documents are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—**

Vouchers and papers relating to Miss Jeffreys' Charity and Mrs. Powell's Charity, both bequeathed by Will for the benefit of the poor of St. Michael's.

Deeds, papers and accounts relating to the Ann's Hill Houses (Nos. 56, 57, 58, and 59, St. Michael's Street) purchased in 1892 out of the accumulations of a legacy left by Mr. Spence for the benefit of the Church.

Map of the parish of St. Michael's showing its boundaries.

## SIBDON CARWOOD.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz :—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Account Book.

Mothersole's Parish Council's Guide.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz. :—

General Register, 1582—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1807. *(See publication of Parish Register Society on this Register.)*

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1807—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1828. |
| ,, | ,, | 1815—1835. |
| ,, | ,, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |
| Overseers' Account Book, | | 1777—1793. |
| | Do. | 1795—1837. |

## SIDBURY.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in an oak cupboard at Deuxhill Schoolhouse, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.

**Dooumenis in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1560—1717. *(NOTE.—No entries between 1623—1658. This Register was lost for some considerable time, but was found in a box at Middleton Scriven in the year 1854 and restored to this parish.)*

General Register, 1731—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1811.

Register of Births and Christenings, 1811--1812, containing seven entries only.

„ Baptisms, 1812—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1812—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1811—in use.

Terrier.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1886—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1848.

## SILVINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the Rectory in a strong tin box known as "Silvington Parish Box," viz:—

Vestry Minute Book, 1892—in use; also used as Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in the above box, viz:—

General Register, 1716—1749.
Do. 1752—1804.
Do. 1805—1859.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1838— do.
„ Burials, 1813-- do.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1847.

## SMETHCOTE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz.:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1609—1767.
Do. 1747—1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1876.
" " 1876—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1811.
" Marriages, 1813—1837.
" " 1837—1887.
" " 1887—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.

Vestry Minute Book, 1842—1845.
Do. 1844—in use.

Overseers Account Book, 1810—1837.
Do. do. 1849—1862.
Do. do. 1864—1868.

Rate Book, 1845—1848.
Do. 1864—1870.
Do. 1870—1873.

Many miscellaneous papers.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1845.

## STANTON LACY.

**Documents, etc.. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Financial Statements.
Book of appointment of Overseers.

**Dooumenis in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1561—1681.
Do. 1682—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1776.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1777—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1838.
" " 1838—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1800.

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|---|---|
| Register of Marriages, | 1800—1813. |
| „ „ | 1813—1831. |
| „ „ | 1831—1837. |
| „ „ | 1837—1877. |
| „ „ | 1877—in use. |
| „ Burials, | 1813—1847. |
| „ „ | 1847—1881. |
| „ „ | 1882—in use. |
| Vestry Minute Book, | 1722—1861. |

Map and Enclosure Award of the Parish, dated 1819.

Copy of Stanton Lacy and Bromfield Enclosure Award, dated 20th August, 1828.

Vestry Minute Book, 1861—in use.

Church Account Book, 1879—in use.

*The following Tithe Maps and Awards are kept at the office of Messrs. Clark & Co., Solicitors, Ludlow, viz:—*

Parish of Stanton Lacy, including East Hamlet, dated 2nd June, 1847.

Township of Wooton, dated 12th June, 1847.
„ Upper Hayton, dated 18th June, 1847.
„ Lower Hayton, dated 10th June, 1845.
„ Downton and Hopton, dated 12th June, 1847.
„ West Hamlets, dated 6th November, 1847.

## STANTON LONG.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Precept Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Book.
Financial Statements.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1547—1734, *and copy of same up to 1654.*

Do. 1734—1813.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1813—1836.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813— do.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1845.

## STANTON-UPON-HINE-HEATH.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a cupboard (except the Parish Council Minute Book, which is kept in an iron safe) in the house of the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Parish Council Minute Book.

Declaration of acceptance of office Book.

Councillors' Attendance Book.

Agenda Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.

Contribution Order Book.

Cheque Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Church Vestry, viz:—

General Register. *(NOTE.—Only a part of this remains. It is badly mutilated, and apparently dates from 1655 to 1680.)*

General Register, 1681 to end of year 1708 or the beginning of 1709.

General Register from 1710—1751. *The following is a Note at the end of this Register, viz:*—"Here the old style ends and the date "of the year begins on the 1st January."

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1752—1798.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1861.
„ „ 1861—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ Marriages, 1813—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1799—1812.
„ „ 1813—1878.
„ „ 1878—in use.
Apprenticeship Register, 1837—1844.

The following Tithe Maps and Awards *are kept at the Vicarage, viz:—*

Harcourt, dated 10th December, 1839.
Stanton and Morton, dated 30th December, 1839.
Hatton and Booley, dated 31st December, 1839.

## STAPLETON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a bureau in the house of the Chairman, viz:—

Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Various papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1635—1746 *(very dilapidated).*
Do. 1748—1750, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | 1813—in use. | |
| ,, Marriages, | 1750—1812. | |
| ,, ,, | 1813—1837. | |
| ,, ,, | 1837—in use. | |
| ,, Burials, | 1813— do. | |

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1670—1705.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1736—1827. | |
| Do. | do. | 1828—1866. |
| Overseers' | do. | 1704—1743. |
| Do. | do. | 1744—1880. |

Various Rate Books.

Various Briefs, Bastardy and Settlement Orders, &c., &c.

"A Replie unto M. Hardinge's Ansvveare By perusinge whereof "the discrete and diligent Reader may easily see, the weake and "unstable groundes of the Romaine Religion whiche of late hath been "accompted Catholique.

"By John Jewel, Bishoppe of Sarisburie.

"Imprinted at London in Fleetestreate, at the signe of the Blacke "Oliphante by Henry Wykes. Vicesimo January, Anno 1566."

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"The Defense of the Annsvvere to the Admonition, against the "Replie of T.C.

"By John VVhitgift, Doctor of Divinitie."

"Printed at London by Henry Bunnieman for Humfrey Toye, "Anno 1574."

"An Answeare to a certain Booke lately set forth by M. Hardinge "and entitutled, A Confutation of the Church of Englande.

"From London, 17 Octobris, 1567."

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"The first Tome or Volume of the Paraphrase of Erasmus upon "the newe Testament.

"Enpriented at London in Fletestrete at the sign of the Sunne by "Edwarde Whitchurche, the last daie of Januarie, Anno Domine 1542."

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*The following documents are kept at the Rectory, viz:—*

Vestry Minute Book, 1866—in use.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Stapleton and hamlets of Shadymoor and The Moat, dated 1840.

Tithe Map and Award of the township of Notley, dated 1849.

## STIRCHLEY.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the church, viz:—

General Register, 1658—1718. *(This Register contains several entries of "Briefs," and at the end Terriers of glebe land.)*

General Register, 1718—1812.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1878 |
| " | " | 1878—in use. |
| " | Marriages, | 1803—1814. |
| " | " | 1814—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Book of Accounts, *i.e.*, Overseers from 1766 to 1814 and Churchwardens from 1818—1885; also containing Minutes of Vestry Meetings.

Terrier of Glebe *(now obsolete).*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 17th September, 1841, and 2 Plans of Stirchley Glebe, *kept at the Rectory.*

# STOCKTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Declaration Book.

Book of appointments of Overseers.

Trustees of Stockton Parish Charities Minute Book.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory viz:—

General Register, 1558—1754—then Register of Baptisms and Burials to 1813; *the front leaf of this Register contains copies of the Marriages from 1754—1764. At the end of the Register there are* "Lists of the Poor of the Parish for whom clothing was bought with "Sacrament Money and to whom given" for the years 1812—1814.

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1872. |
| " | " | 1872—in use. |
| " | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| " | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| " | " | 1837—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Register of Parish Apprentices, 1802—1833.

Many Apprenticeship Indentures.

Terrier, dated 1726.

do. 24th July, 1797.

"A survey of the Parsonage House at Stockton in the County of "Salop as also of the Malthouse Barnes &c. thereto belonging together "with the tenements and cottages formerly held by Tennants taken "in the beginning of November, 1720."

*(NOTE.—The seal of the Vicar General is attached to this.)*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1839.

Book containing:—

Constables' Accounts, 1602—1676, and
Churchwardens' Accounts, 1598—1677, *several blanks, especially between 1645—1665.*

*N.B.—This book is in an excellent state of preservation and the accounts are very well kept and extremely interesting—more particularly*

*the Constables' Accounts. We have extracted the following as they appeared to be of more than usual interest, viz:—*

The Accounts of John Hill and Henry fflecher Constables ffor ye yeare 1642.

Receits.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Received of ye p'ish ffourtene Leawnes Two and Twentie pounde thirtene shillings and ten pence | 22 | 13 | 10 |
| | £ | s. | d. |
| Imprimus for goeing to the Hundred Courte | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| ffor Charges wth a Teame goinge to Bridgenorth | 01 | 04 | 05 |
| Charges there | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Payd at Shrousbury ffor the Trained Souldiers | 04 | 07 | 06 |
| My Charges there Two Dayes and one Nyght | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| ffor Goinge to Sallope about Dragoneares | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| pd to the olde Constables | 00 | 13 | 00 |
| ffor Goinge wth Bread to swinu | 00 | 05 | 09 |
| ffor Two whilbarrowes | 00 | 08 | 04 |
| ffor Two meetings of Neighbours at Brockton | 00 | 02 | 02 |
| ffor Goinge Two severall times to Shifnall | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| And one Returne | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| pd to Theoder Barne | 00 | 09 | 10 |
| Two dayes Goinge to Bridgenorth aboute Carts | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| And ffor a psentmt | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| Two Dayes Goinge to Bridgenorth aboute Trained Souldiers | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Pd Prision mony | 00 | 18 | 02 |
| ffor Charges | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Pd tow ye Magazine | 00 | 07 | 00 |
| And ffor Charges | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| ffor goinge to Bridgenorth aboute Dragoneares | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| And ffor a psentmt. | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| Pd to the Dragoneares the ffirst time | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| ffor Charges there | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Pd to Adam Turner ffor a Bridge | 00 | 15 | 00 |
| The 2 time pd to the Dragoneares | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| And ffor Charges | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| A third time goinge to Shifnall | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| ffor going to Albriton | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Pd to the Trained Sowldiares | 02 | 10 | 00 |
| ffor Goinge to Nowpart | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| ffor Going to Bridgenorth aboute ye Assesmt. | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| ffor writinge the Assesmt. | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| a 3 time goinge to Bridgenorth aboute ye trained band | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| ffor Goinge to Bridgenorth twice to pay ye Dragoneares | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Given to Milliton ye Trained Souldiar | 02 | 09 | 00 |

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| for goinge to More Wenlocke | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for goinge to Bridgenorth aboute the poore | 00 | 00 | 10 |
| ffor my Charges theare | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for carringe Three Crippulles | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| Given to Trauilars wth passes and Souldiars | 00 | 04 | 09 |
| for Goinge to Bridgenorth about ye Trained Souldiars | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| And for a return theare | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| Pd to the Trained Souldiar | 01 | 17 | 00 |
| ffor my owne Charges ffor ffoure Dayes | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| for Goinge to Bridgenorth aboute the Assesmentes | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| And ffor a Returne to the Justices there | 00 | 00 | 03 |
| ffor Goinge to Sallope to pay ye Assesmt. | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| Pd to Richard Roden for a Trained Souldiar | 00 | 05 | 06 |
| Goinge to Bridgenorth to Certifie aboute ye Assesmt. | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| ffor Goinge to Bridgenorth for ye yeuell muster | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| and ffor writinge the names | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| for fetchinge Hom Richard rodens Cart | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| for goinge to Bridgenorth aboute the Srowts | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for going to Shifnall to Certifie ye areares and asesments | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| & ffor a Returne there | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| for Goinge to Shifnall aboute ye Commisners | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| and ffor a Returne there | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| ffor Goinge to Bridgenorth with Souldiars | 00 | 07 | 06 |
| for Charges towe Dayes | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| for goinge to Shifnall wth a Warrant | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for going to Bridgenorth wth ye Sevators | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for going to Shifnall wth a Warrant | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| ffor Goinge Aboute ye Assessed Mony 4 Dayes | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| for Goinge to Bridgenorth aboute Dragoneares 6 dayes | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| Pd to Willm. Hattun for a Trained Souldiar | 00 | 07 | 03 |
| ffor Goinge to Bridgenorth about two Assesments | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for writinge of it | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| for Goinge to Bridgenorthe when all ye neighbers shoulde haue Comme in There | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| for bringinge the Dragoneare to Bridgenorth | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for goinge to Shifnall wth a Warrant | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for passes wth Travilers | 00 | 02 | 01 |
| for Two Cripples | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for 3 psentments to the Quarter Sessions | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| for 2 mounthly meetings | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Given to John Trevis | 00 | 02 | 04 |
| Given to Henry banckes for setting out a cūēt | 00 | 03 | 06 |
| for one Quarter and halfe of lime for ye Bridge | 00 | 02 | 06 |
| ffor goinge to Albriton wth a Warrant | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for a Souldiar at Bangams one night | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| pd to Henrie fflecher for a trained Souldiar | 00 | 05 | 09 |

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| ffor Copying of Warrants for this yeare | 00 | 03 | 04 |
| The some is | 23 | 5 | 5 |

The Pish Remaining in my Debt, 11s. & 1d.

The Account of Wm. Halton and Gwegowie Smyth Constables of Stockton for the year 1653.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Recd of the pish | 01 | 04 | 06 |
| for goeing to the hundred Courtes | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for retourne of A Warrt about ye Excise at Shyfnall | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| pd to the house of Correction | 00 | 03 | 06 |
| for bringing it to the high Constable | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for one Hue and Crye | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| for prsentemts at the Assizes and Sessions | 00 | 00 | 10 |
| for a prsentmt at the hundred Courte | 00 | 00 | 02 |
| for goeing twice to the hundred Courte | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| for retourne of 3 Warrts of Excise at Shyfnall | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| for retourne of a Warrt of Aleselling at B.N. | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| for Conducting Three Cripples | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| Given to poore people with Passes | 00 | 04 | 08 |
| for a Sheete to burye a Poore boy | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| To Joseph Hemwood and Robt Winwood | 00 | 00 | 08 |
| fr foure Hue and Cryes | 00 | 00 | 08 |
| for three Hue and Cryes more | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| for Conducting one Cripple more | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| Given to poore people with Passes | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| Layd out | 01 | 04 | 02 |
| reud. to the pish | 00 | 00 | 06 |

*(This should be 4d.)*

The Account of Thomas Nock and John Evans Constables for the parish of Stockton in the yeare of our lord god 1661.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Received of the parish | 03 | 08 | 05 ob. |
| Penelope ffowke he lowne not recd. | 00 | 00 | 03 ob. |
| Inprimis for goinge to the hundred Court to take my oath | | 00 | 01 |
| for going to Bridgnorth to returne in the maintayners | | 01 | 00 |
| for going to Shifnall to returne a Wart about maintayners | | 01 | 00 |

| | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|
| for goin to Shifnall to returne a Wart for Excise of Ale | 01 | 00 |
| To poore people that came with passes and to cripples given to passe them away | 12 | 07 |
| for sending away hewes and cries | 00 | 10 |
| for makinge presentments at the Sise and Sessions and returning them in | 03 | 09 |
| for going to Bridgnorth to returne a Watt about Ale Sellers | 01 | 00 |
| for going to Bridgnorth to give in a list who was fitt to sell Ale | 01 | 00 |
| for going to Shifnall to returne a Watt for Exsise | 01 | 00 |
| payd to the house of Correction and for bringing it in | 03 | 05 |
| for going to Bridgnorth to returne Alesellers to be licensed | 01 | 00 |
| ffor going in before the Justices the next day following about Alesellers | 01 | 00 |
| ffor going to Shifnal to give in a list for paying of Exsise | 01 | 00 |
| ffor going to Shifnal to give in a list to ye Exsise Office | 01 | 00 |
| for copyinge of Warrants | 02 | 04 |
| ffor going to Bridgnorth about the King's free gift | 01 | 00 |
| ffor making presentments to the hundred Court | 00 | 04 |
| for going to the hundred court to take my oath | 01 | 00 |
| ffor going to Shrewsbury about the maintayners my horse and my selfe one night | 02 | 06 |
| ffor going to Shifnall to returne a Warrtt about the mayntainer's | 01 | 00 |
| for carrying away hewes and cries | 00 | 08 |
| ffor to the high constable wth money for Drumes and coullers | 01 | 00 |
| given to him to carry it in to Shrewsbury | 00 | 06 |
| for going to Bridgnorth to returne a Wartt about the observation of lent | 01 | 00 |
| for returning in presentmts to the Assise and Sessions | 03 | 00 |
| Pd to the high constable yt gd towards the maintenance of the Suite wth Sheriffe Hales | 07 | 09 |
| for bringing it in | 01 | 00 |
| Payd towards the repayre of bildas Bridge | 07 | 09 |
| for going to Shifnall to make returne of a wartt with the collectors | 01 | 00 |
| ffor going to Bridgnorth about the King's free gift and returning in a list of the names of ye parishoners | 01 | 00 |
| pd to the high constable towards the house of correction | 02 | 04 |
| ffor righting presentments and returnes of warrants | 01 | 06 |
| for there is layd out for ye pish togr | 03 | 08 | 04 |

*(N.B.—It is curious to note the various ways in which the Writer of the above Account has spelt the words "maintainer" and "maintenance.")*

*The following are interesting extracts taken from some of the other Accounts, viz:—*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1621. | It for the Souldiers lodginge and his drink | | | xiiii$^{d.}$ |
| | Item for Carryinge a Cripple *(this occurs several times)* | | | vi$^{d.}$ |
| 1622. | Att Shiffenalle before the Clarke of the Markett for a presentment | 0 | 0 | 4$^{d.}$ |
| 1638. | Giueuen to a Woaman that was delevered in the Church Porch | | 2 | 0 |
| 1640. | ffor goinge to Bridgenorth before the Coroner | 00 | 1 | 00 |
| | for one to fetchinge the Coroner and for a warrant | 00 | 3 | 00 |
| | for windinge and caringe the Corpse and Grave | 00 | 4 | 6 |
| | pd to the Coroner for his feese | 00 | 13 | 6 |
| 1651. | pd to the Souldiers to buy booard and other provision wch wee could not provide | 2 | 16 | 6 |
| 1665. | for bringing the quaker to bridgnorth | | 1 | 0 |
| | for bringing him to the house of correction And his quarters and for diet | | 0 | 8 |
| | for the returne of a warrant to bring in his wife the 30th day of March | | 1 | 0 |
| | for paying the harth money | | 1 | 0 |
| 1666. | for the Returne of a Warrant for ye Malitia | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1670. | It charges about Hughes Wife that hanged herselfe | | 3 | 0 |
| | pd going to Bridgnorth to returne a warrat. about some difference betwixt Mstr Reashill and his Mayd | | 1 | 0 |
| | For returne of a warr. to Simon in the Lighthouse | | 1 | 0 |
| | For mending Stocks and Butts *(this appears several times)* | | 1 | 6 |
| 1672. | It. payd to Richard Gough for lodging too Soulddiers | | 2 | 0 |
| | It. for more Souldiers at my owne house | | 2 | 0 |
| | It. payd to ffrancis Barret for mending the pinfould | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1676. | It. for carring a theefe to the house of Correction & to Shrewsbury | 0 | 16 | 6 |
| | It. for mending the pound | 0 | 0 | 2 |

*(NOTE.—This Account Book would well repay the trouble of its transcription.)*

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|---|---|
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1690—1783. |
| Do. | 1811—1889. |
| Do. | 1889—in use. |
| Overseer's Account Book, | 1662—1696. |
| Do. | 1697—1783. |
| Do. | 1784—1811. |

*(NOTE.—The Accounts in this latter book are very well kept, the writing of which is excellent.)*

*The following Note is the first entry therein:—*

"April 14th 1800.

"It was agreed by the undermentioned occupiers of Land "within the Parish of Stockton that from the date hereof. To "indemnify the Father of a Bastard Child no smaller a sum shall "be excepted than Eighteen pound eighteen shillings?"

*(N.B.—No names appear under this note, but this indemnity of £18 18s. 0d. was paid on several occasions.)*

The following is a copy of one of the Accounts, viz:—

*(NOTE.—This Account appears on the lefthand side of the Book and the next Account on the other side.)*

THOS. NOCK'S ACCOUNTS *(1784.)*

| | | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| PAID | Thos. Cooper 24 Weeks pay at 2/- P Week | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| | Thos Caldicott 24 Do at 1/6 | 1 | 16 | 0 |
| | Suzannah Rushton of Dawley 24 Do at 1/- | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| | Mary Buttery 18 Weeks at 3/6 & 6 Do at 2/6 | 3 | 18 | 0 |
| | Mary Rowley with her Base Childe 16 W at 9d | | 12 | 0 |
| | George Sankey for standing Godfather for above childe | | 1 | 0 |
| | for Christening Do. 3d the Midwife for Do 5/- | | 5 | 3 |
| | Mary Groom for Mary Rowley's lying in monthe | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | for a Month before she lay in | | 4 | 0 |
| | Thos. Dab 6 Weeks pay at 3/- P week | | 18 | 0 |
| | for Cloathing for Do. | | 17 | 8½ |
| | for a pair of Breeches for William Buttery | | 2 | 8 |
| | for a pair of shoes and 2 pair of Stockings) for Archer's Girl ) | | 4 | 0 |
| | for a Coat & Petticoat for Do. & mending her Cloathing | | 2 | 6 |
| | for 2 pair of Shoes 7/- Hose 1/4 mendg. Shoes 11d a new pocket 9d mendg Petticoat 1/6 for Elizabeth Barrett | | 11 | 6 |
| | for a Coffin 12/- Shroud 5/- Burial fees 4/4 Chiming 1/- making Affidavit 6d Ale 2/- for W Buttery's funeral | 1 | 5 | 10 |
| | Mrs Edmunds for curing Abednego Hayward's Leg | 1 | 11 | 6 |
| | for a Load of Coals for Sarah & Isabel Barrett | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | for 10 C of Do. for Mary Buttery at 6d P C | | 5 | 0 |
| | Widow Kemp towards her Rent | | 10 | 6 |
| | Do. | | 10 | 0 |
| | Mr Hall for curing her broken Arme | 1 | 5 | 0 |

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mr Yonge for W Nock 10/1 for the Boy kiled by horse | 1 | 0 | 7 |
| Willm Bangham for carrying the Poor's Bread | | 6 | 3 |
| Mr Jandrel for keeping the Parish Books | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| A Load of Coals for Mary Groom & Mary Buttery | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 24 | 0 | 3½ |

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Richd Pool and Thos. Ward Constables } CONSTABLES ACCOUNTS.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| four times Double County Rate Money | 11 | 2 | 8 |
| at six Constables Meetings | | 15 | 0 |
| at 2 Court Leets | | 4 | 0 |
| for an Overseer's Warrant | | 2 | 0 |
| | 12 | 3 | 8 |
| Receiv'd of late Officer | 18 | 2 | 9½ |
| By 24 Loans | 53 | 18 | 0 |
| Recd. of Archer Davies | 1 | 17 | 6 |
| Thos. Nock, Wilm. Nock } Overseers. — Total receiv'd | 73 | 18 | 3½ |
| Total disburs'd | 55 | 14 | 0½ |
| Due to next Officers | 18 | 4 | 3 |

Benj. Thomason, Richd: Poole } Churchwardens.

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EASTER MONDAY, April 21st 1784.

William Nock for his own Farm, and Thomas Nock for Netchel's were chosen Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing.

WILLM NOCK'S ACCOUNTS.

| | | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| PAID | Widow Kemp | | 5 | 0 |
| | Richard Lee for repairing Elizth. Barrett's Stays | | 4 | 2 |
| | for a Coffin for Mary Nock | | 13 | 0 |
| | for a Shroud 6/6, Burial Fees 5/6 | | 12 | 0 |
| | for two Shifts for Mary Child | | 3 | 3 |
| | for mending shoes for Ditto | | 1 | 0 |

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| for a pair of Stockings for Abednego Hayward and taking him to Madeley | | 4 | 0 |
| for a pair of Shoes for Mary Child and footing her a Pair of Stockings | | 3 | 2 |
| for a new Shirt for Abednego Hayward | | 4 | 9 |
| Twenty three week's pay at 3/- P week | 3 | 9 | 0 |
| for a Coffin and Shroud for Do. | | 15 | 0 |
| the Burial Fees | | 5 | 0 |
| Thomas Caldicott 26 weeks pay at 1/6 P week | 1 | 19 | 0 |
| Thomas Cooper 26 Do. at 2/- | 2 | 12 | 0 |
| William Buttery 26 Do. at 3/6 | 4 | 11 | 0 |
| Widow Rushton 26 Do. at 1/- | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| for Woollen and Jersey for Elizth. Barrett | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mary Groom House room for a poor Girl | | 6 | 0 |
| for a Pound of Wool for Elizth. Barrett | | | 9 |
| for two new Books for the use of the Parish | | 15 | 0 |
| | 19 | 10 | 1 |

2d April 1785. These Accounts were verified upon the Oath of Thomas Nock and William Nock Before

HENy. WHITMORE
Wm. DAVENPORT

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*The following are interesting extracts from some of the other Accounts, viz:—*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1786. | For Cloth for Shifts fo Elizth Barrett and making | | 8 | 6 |
| | for mending Shoes for Do | | 1 | 2 |
| | John Wenlock for curing her sore Arm | | 4 | 6 |
| | for a Bedgown for Do and making | | 8 | 0 |
| 1787. | To four poor Sailors | | 2 | 0 |
| | Received of E Kingston for his Base Child | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| 1789. | for two Coffins for G. Sankey and daughter | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| | for 2 Shrouds for Do | | 10 | 0 |
| | for Ale at the Funerals | | 2 | 0 |
| | Expences at both Funerals | | 10 | 8 |
| 1790. | Elizabeth Anson's lying in Month | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | taking three Vagrants to Sheriff Hales | | 2 | 0 |
| 1791. | One Militia Meeting | | 2 | 6 |
| 1792. | Thomas Hodgkins being drawn in the Militia | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| 1794. | A thrave of straw to thatch Mary Groom's house | | 6 | 0 |
| | Thatching stuff for do. | | 1 | 0 |
| | Paul Child and his son for thatching do. | | 3 | 6 |

| | | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1795. | The parish of Astley Abbots towards raising a Sailor | 9 | 18 | 0 |
| 1796. | The parish of Wolverhampton for Wrights family him being a Substitute in the militia up to the 20th Decr 1796 | 8 | 18 | 0 |
| | *(Subsequent items for a number of years of £15. 16. 3., £14. 13. 3., &c., &c.)* | | | |
| | Willm Rudge towards a Militia man | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 1798. | Mr Flint Treasurer towards a man for the Army | 10 | 3 | 8½ |
| 1800. | Postage of a letter | | | 10 |
| | Delivering in an account of the population of the Parish | | 2 | 6 |
| | Samuel Partidge aburn mark for the Parish | | | 6 |
| 1802. | Towards raising two Militia men | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| 1803. | For a Substitute in the Supplementary Militia | 10 | 15 | 6 |
| | For 3 Do. in the Army of Reserve | 48 | 15 | 0 |
| | A Journey to Halesowen & Oldbury for Do. | | 12 | 0 |
| 1805. | An Order for the Church Wardens and Overseers to meet an Officer in the Army of reserve | | 1 | 6 |
| | Parish Officers meeting Do | | 5 | 0 |
| | Ann order to be filled up of all Insane persons in the Parish | | 1 | 0 |
| 1807. | Willm. Pace pr bill for Shoes for the poor Children | | 7 | 0 |
| | Catherine Pace Do. for schooling for Do. | | 7 | 0 |
| 1808. | Saml Harris towards a substitute in the militia | 22 | 0 | 0 |

Overseers' Account Book, 1811—1832.
do. 1832—1837.

## STOKE ST. MILBOROUGH.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk at his house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Precept Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.

Pass Book.

Treasurer's Bond.

**Documents, etc. in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1654—1690.
Do. 1692—1735.
Do. 1749—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1775 *(imperfect).*

Register of Baptisms and Burials. 1777—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1857
" " 1857—in use.
" Banns and Marriages. 1754—1811.
" Marriages, 1813—1839.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

*(NOTE.—The above Registers also contain the entries for the parish of Heath.)*

Vestry Minute Book, 1762—1818.
Do. 1834—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1782—1815.
Do. 1818—1834 *(also containing Minutes of Vestry Meetings).*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1805—1869 *(also containing Minutes of Vestry Meetings—one in 1820, one in 1822 and one in 1839).*

Various Rate Books, &c.

Tithe Account Book.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 30th September, 1842, *kept at the Vicarage.*

## STOKESAY.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Precept Book.
Letter Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Treasurer's Pass Book.
Cheque Book.

Copy of the Will and Probate of Roger Powell bequeathing certain sums to the parish. *(NOTE.—This copy Will is in the hands of the Parish Council, but the Vicar is in communication with the Charity Commissioners with the view to its transfer to himself and the Churchwardens.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1558—1642 *(two entries subsequent to 1642, one in 1652 and the other in 1654.)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1729—1797. |
| ,, | ,, | ,, 1798—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1860. |
| ,, | ,, | 1860—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1792. |
| ,, | ,, | 1793—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1885. |
| ,, | ,, | 1885—in use. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1834—1876.
Do. 1876—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1663—1714. On the first page of this book is the following entry, viz:—

"The true and perfect acounts of William Blackewey and "Richard Millward, Churchwardens for the Parish of Stoakesay, "for the year of our lord god 1663."

*The following are also kept at the Vicarage, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Apportionment of townships of Aldon and the Stokesay parts of the townships of Rowton and Broome in the parish of Stokesay, dated 1844.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the townships of Stokesay, Newton, and Wettleton, dated 1840.

Tithe Map and Altered Apportionment of Tithes on certain lands in the district comprising the townships of Stokesay, Newton, and Wettleton, dated 1859 *(Shrewsbury and Hereford Railway Company).*

Tithe Map and altered Apportionment of Tithe on certain lands in the district comprising the townships of Stokesay, Newton, and Wettleton, dated 1894.

Altered Apportionment of Tithe on lands in the district comprising the townships of Stokesay, Newton, and Wettleton, dated 1897.

## STOKE-UPON-TERN.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a writing desk at the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Declaration Book.
Cheque Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Financial Statements.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Church viz:—

General Register, 1654—1724.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1678—1746. |
| ,, | ,, | 1877—in use. |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | | 1743—1803. |
| Overseers' | do. | 1750—1785. |
| Do. | do. | 1786—1813. |

Tithe Map and Award, dated December 9th, 1841, *kept in the Vestry.*

An old Register *(parchment)* of the 18th Century, *stated to be almost illegible. This Register was stolen and found in the River Tern in 1881. (NOTE.—This book was not produced at our inspection. The Rector was away from home.)*

*The following Registers are missing—they were lost when the safe was broken open and the contents thrown into the river in 1881. viz:—*

Registers from about 1540—1654.

Register of Burials, 1813—1877.
,, Baptisms, 1813—1837.

## STOTTESDEN.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a cupboard in the school, viz:—

Contribution Order Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Agenda Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Councillors' Attendance Book.

Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Book, *i.e.*, Pass Book.
Several Rate Books dating from 1872—*not consecutive.*
Various papers.

*The following are kept in an unlocked box at the house of the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—*

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Various papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept at the Vicarage, viz. :—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| General Register, | 1565—1666. | |
| Do. | 1667—1700. | |
| Do. | 1701—1747. | |
| Do. | 1748—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1780. | |

*(N.B.—The above Registers also contain the Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials for the parish of Farlow.)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1780—1808. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1809—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1879. |
| ,, | ,, | 1880—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1780. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1780—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1780—1807. |
| ,, | ,, | 1824—1849. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—in use. |

Vestry Minute Book, 1831—1874.
Rate Book *for the parish of Farlow*, dated 1837.

*The following are kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—*

Tithe Maps and Apportionments of the following townships, viz:—

Prescot, Walton and Bagginswood, dated 1840.
Bardley and Harcourt, dated 1842.
Chorley and Northwood, dated 1844.
Ingardine and Lowe, dated 1844.
Pickthorn, dated 1846.
Wrickton, Newton, Overton and Walkerslow, dated 1848.
Stottesdon, Dudlewick and Hinton, dated 1849.
Kingswood, dated 1850.

Inclosure Award and Map of Oreton Common, dated 1855.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1776—1869.

## STOWE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in ths custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1576—1640.
Do. 1663—1723.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—in use. |
| „ | Marriages, | 1755—1811. |
| „ | „ | 1813—1835. |
| „ | „ | 1838—in use. |
| „ | Banns, | 1825— do. |
| „ | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Overseers' Account Book, 1741—1830.

Bye-Law under Education Acts.

Extract of Will of late John Edwards—under which Interest on £100 left for the Poor of the Parish of Stowe.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 5th May, 1842 *(not kept in the safe).*

Enclosure of Lurkenhope Parish Common, dated 22nd October, 1854 *(not kept in the safe).*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1845—in use, *kept by Mr. Bright, Churchwarden.*

General Register, 1724—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1760.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1761—1807.
*(NOTE.—These two Registers are now bound together.)*

## SUTTON.

*(Sutton is now attached to Meole Brace for ecclesiastical purposes.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Assistant Overseer, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in a private passage connected with the Parish Room at Meole Brace, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1769—1809. *(N.B.—This Register contains an entry of Marriage dated 1756.)*
,, ,, 1813—1866.
,, Marriages, 1838—1870.
,, Burials, 1847—1849.

## SUTTON MADDOCK.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following documents, &c., are kept in a fire-proof safe in the custody of the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—

Vestry Meeting Minute Books, 1756 to present time.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Cheque Book.
Precept Book.
Account Book.
Declaration Book.
Notification of appointment of Overseers.
Appointment of Assistant Overseer and Clerk.
Treasurer's Guarantee Policy.
Current Account Books.
Receipt Book.
Overseers' Account Book, 1747—1790.

*The following documents, &c., are kept in a tin box in the custody of the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—*

Rate Books from 1822—1844.
Overseers' Private Accounts, 1790—1851.
Surveyor's Account Book, 1777—1817.
Bonds and Apprenticeship Indentures.
Paupers' Certificates.
,, Examinations.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Some of the following documents, &c., are kept by the Clerk of the Parish Council, the others by the Vicar, viz:—

General Register, 1560—1646.
Do. 1679—1710.
Do. 1710—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1768.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1769—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1873.
„ „ 1874—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1813—1837.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Banns for Kemberton, 1823—1834.
„ „ Sutton, 1823—1874.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Account of profits of Vicarage of Sutton Maddock, 1726—1740.

Terrier, dated 13th August, 1845, of lands, tithes, &c., &c.

Conveyance, dated 6th June, 1868, from Rev. John Brooke to the Vicar and Churchwardens of site for School Mistress' house.

Conveyance, dated 18th May, 1874, from Rev. John Brooke to the Vicar and Churchwardens of land and site of Sutton Maddock Parochial School House.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## SYCHTYN.

*(Sychtyn is a civil parish only.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Precept Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Miscellaneous papers.

## TASLEY.

*(NOTE.—The Parish Meeting do not keep a Minute Book.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rector's house at Bridgnorth, viz:—

General Register, 1563—1813, described as—"The Regester "booke of the parish of Tasley, wherein are truly registred and written "all Christnings, Weddings and Burialls, wch. have chanced wthin. the "said parish since the yeare of our lord god 1563."

*(NOTE.—The last Marriage appears to be in 1777.)*

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1813—1850.
„ „ 1840—in use.
„ Burials, 1815— do.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1839.

## TIBBERTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a drawer in a kitchen dresser in the Clerk's house, viz.:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Account Book.
Various papers.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest at the Rectory, viz. :—

General Register, 1719—1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—1861.
" " 1861—in use.
" Marriages, 1843— do.
" Burials, 1813—1883.
" " 1884—in use.

Tithe Map and Award of the townships of Cherrington and Tibberton, dated 1840.

Deed, dated 30th September, 1861, annexing land and Rent Charges in lieu of Tithes at Tibberton in the County of Salop, and made between the Rev. J. D. Pigott, Patron and Rector of Edgmond, with the consent of the Lord Bishop of Lichfield, and the Perpetual Curate of the District Chapelry of All Saints' Church, Tibberton, and his successors.

Miscellaneous papers.

## TILSTOCK.

*(Tilstock is an ecclesiastical parish formed from the parish of Whitchurch in 1844. In 1859 eleven houses in the township of Steele and parish of Prees were added to the parish of Tilstock.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register containing:—
Baptisms, 1836—1889.
Burials, 1836—in use.

Register of Baptisms, 1890—in use.
" Marriages, 1846— do.

A Book containing "a true copy of records relating to the parish "of Tilstock taken from a book in the possession of the Rector of "Whitchurch"—*presented to the parish of Tilstock by the present Vicar, the Revd. R. Hiles.*

Vestry Minute Book, 1829—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1857—1889.
Do. do. 1889—in use.

Miscellaneous papers.

*(No separate Tithe Map for this parish.)*

## TITTENLEY.

*(Tittenley is a civil parish only, transferred to Shropshire from Cheshire in 1894.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz. :—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Rate Book.
Precept Book.

## TONG.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk at his house, viz:—

Minute Book.
Draft Minute Book.
Cash Book.
Declaration Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Precept Book.
Notification to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Various forms and circulars.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the parish chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1620—1718 *(somewhat mutilated).*
Do. 1718—1756.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1756—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1858.
" " 1858—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1812.
" " 1815—1835.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1814—in use.

Various Apprenticeship Indentures, correspondence, and receipts.

Overseers' Account Book, 1818—1831. *(NOTE—At the end of this Register there is a list of books at one time forming "the library of the Chapel to the Castle.")*

Account Book of the receipts and payments by the Minister of Tong, 1839—1843.

Parchment Catalogue of Tong Library given by Lord Pierrepoint, dated 8th August, 1745, and printed Catalogue of same.

Levy Book, 1820—1836.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1630—1680.

Vestry Minute Book, 1856—1887.

*(N.B.—The present book of Churchwardens' Accounts, commencing 1810, is in the custody of the Churchwarden, and is also the Minute Book of the Vestry from 1888.)*

Confirmation, dated 14th August, 1725, by His Grace the Duke of Kingston of the Settlement made by the late Lord Pierrepoint for charitable uses upon Tong parish with Valuation.

Tong Charities. Appointment of and Conveyance, dated 4th September, 1802, to new Trustees (in duplicate).

Deed of Gift and Feoffment, dated 6th June, 1829, from Samuel Shaw, Senr., to S. Shaw, Junr., of a messuage and garden in the parish of Penkridge, Staffs.

Various Deeds (Admittances, &c.), relating to copyhold property at Horsebrook in the Manor of Breewood.

Conveyance, dated 31st May, 1734, from Cotterill and others to Petier and others of house and lands at Albrighton in trust for the poor of Tong. Consideration £400.

Tong Terrier, dated 1759.

Various correspondence, receipts, extracts from deeds, &c., &c.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## TREFONEN.

*(Trefonen is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed in 1842 from the parish of Oswestry. Trefonen is also a Ward of the parish of Oswestry Rural.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Rectory, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1821—1859.
,, ,, 1859—in use.
,, Marriages, 1848— do.

Register of Burials, 1821—1783.
" " 1873—1893. *(One entry is 1898.)*

*(N.B.—A Burial Board (which includes Trefonen) was constituted in 1881.)*

*(No separate Tithe Map for this parish.)*

## TUCK HILL.

*(Tuck Hill is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed in 1870 from the parishes of Alveley and Claverley in Shropshire and the parishes of Bobbington and Enville in Staffordshire.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vicarage, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1870—in use.
" Marriages, 1872— do.
" Burials, 1870— do.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 29th November, 1870.

Conveyance, dated 1st August, 1876, to Minister and Churchwardens of land for a Church of England School.

Three small tracings of parishes from which the Tuck Hill District is taken.

London Gazette, dated March 28th, 1890—£400 conveyed by Ecclesiastical Commissioners for Parsonage.

London Gazette, dated 4th April, 1892—£200 conveyed for Stables.

Accounts with reference to the building of the Vicarage.

Fire Insurance Polices of Church and Vicarage.

Vestry Minute Book.

Letter from Queen Anne's Bounty Office as to increase of Endowment.

*(See "Alveley" for London Gazette as to boundary of this parish.)*

## TUGFORD.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

Register containing Marriages from 1787—1812 at the one end, and, at the other end, Baptisms and Burials from 1787 to 1813.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1813—1837.
„ „ 1838—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—do.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1841.

## UFFINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a drawer in a bureau (unlocked) in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council do.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Precept Book.
Miscellaneous papers, correspondence, &c.
Various Rate Books, &c.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1578—1729.
Do. 1729—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1812.

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1812.
„ „ 1814—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1627—1693.
Do. 1750—1836. *This book contains, on the last page, the following Note, viz:*—"A True Terrier of all that "is belonging to the Minister or Curate of Uffington in the County of "Salop—Delivered the 16th day of September, 1767."

Poor Relief Book, 1794—1817.

Terrier, dated 1736.
do. 1745.
do. 1752.

Printed letter, dated 8th May, 1793, from the Bishop of Lichfield transmitting a letter addressed to him by the Archbishop of Canterbury, together with a letter addressed by the King to the Archbishop "in "consequence of a Petition from the Committee of Subscribers for "the relief of the French Clergy refugees in the British Dominions," requesting the letters to be read to the parishioners, and urging that liberal contributions should be given.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## UPPINGTON.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a lock-up drawer in the house of the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1650—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1783.

Register of Births, Baptisms, and Burials, 1784—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1812.
" Marriages, 1813—1840 *(no entry after 1830).*
" " 1841—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 18th May, 1840.

Miscellaneous papers.

## UPTON CRESSETT.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept in a bureau in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Various old Rate Books, &c.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron box in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1814—1835.
" " 1840—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

*(NOTE.—The Registers previous to 1813 have been lost.)*

## UPTON MAGNA.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin box at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Parish Council Receipt and Payment Book.
Printed forms of notice to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.

*The following are kept in the safe at the Rectory. The Rector is Chairman of the Parish Meeting:—*

Parish Council and Parish Meeting Minute Books.

Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.

Contribution Order Book and Cheque Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1653—then Register of Baptisms and Burials only to 1774.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1774—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1875. |
| ,, | ,, | 1875—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1753—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1836. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813— do. |

Old Book *(with chain attached to one cover; title-page missing)* containing "The life of the worthy Prelate and faithful servant of "God Job Jewel sometimes called Bishop of Sarisburie," also "An answer to a certaine booke lately set forth By M. Harding and entituled a Confutation of the Apology of the Church of England" and other things.

Account of money distributed to the Poor of Upton Magna, 1842—1886.

Do. from 1886—in use.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 9th June, 1847—*kept at the office of Messrs. Sprott & Morris, Solicitors, Shrewsbury.*

## WATERS UPTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a tin deed box in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1547—1718.
Do. 1718—1765, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1793.

Register containing:—

1. Burials, 1793—1815.
2. Baptisms, 1794—1816.
3. One Marriage entry in 1815.

Register of Baptisms, 1815—1869.
„ „ 1871—in use.
„ Banns and Marriages, 1765—1811.
„ Marriages, 1815—1837.
„ „ 1837—in use.
„ Banns, 1823—in use.
„ Burials, 1816— do.
Overseers' Account Book, 1800—1836.
Do. 1835 and 1837.
"The Vestry Book of Waters Upton," 1766—1796.
Miscellaneous papers.
Tithe Commutation Map and Award, dated 13th September, 1837, *kept at the Rectory.*

*(See list of documents for "High Ercall," which contains a Register of Burials in Rodington and Waters Upton, 1679—1684.)*

## WELLINGTON RURAL.

*(Wellington Rural was formerly a part of the old parish of Wellington which is now divided into three portions and known as the parishes of Hadley, Wellington Rural and Wellington Urban respectively. The Parish of Wellington Rural is divided, ecclesiastically, into two parishes, Ketley and Lawley.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Clerk's office, viz:—
Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Council Draft Minute Book.
Committee Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Lawley Ward Minute Book.
Do. Draft Minute Book.
Ketley Ward Minute Book.
Do. Draft Minute Book.
Letter Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Book containing particulars of the various Parochial Charities.

The following nine Maps—*apparently copies of Tithe Maps of the following townships in the old parish of Wellington*—are kept in the office of the Assistant Overseer, viz:—

Wellington, dated 1840.
Hadley, dated 1840.
Ketley, dated 1840.
Aston *(no date).*

Leegomery, Wappenshall with Apley Demesne *(no date).*
Preston *(no date).*
Arleston *(no date).*
Horton *(no date).*
Dothill *(no date).*

## WELLINGTON URBAN.

*(Wellington Urban is an urban district and divided into two ecclesiastical parishes known as All Saints' and Christ Church.)*

### ALL SAINTS (*Wellington*).

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register containing:—

1. Baptisms, 1626—1701.
2. Marriages, 1626—1674.
3. Burials, 1626—1677.

General Register, 1701—1742. *(NOTE.—This Register is apparently composed of 3 or 4 Registers which have been separately kept and finally bound together. It has not been bound in order of date, but a careful examination showed that it is quite complete.)*

General Register, 1742—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1777.

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| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1777—1799. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1799—1806. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1806—1813. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1825. |
| ,, | ,, | 1825—1833. |
| ,, | ,, | 1833—1840. |
| ,, | ,, | 1840—1851. |
| ,, | ,, | 1851—1863. |
| ,, | ,, | 1863—1876. |
| ,, | ,, | 1876—1899. |
| ,, | ,, | 1900—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1771. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1772—1784. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1784—1805. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1805—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1827. |
| ,, | ,, | 1827—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—February to June. |

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| Register of Marriages, | | 1837—1843. |
| " | " | 1843—1849. |
| " | " | 1849—1853. |
| " | " | 1853—1856. |
| " | " | 1856—1861. |
| " | " | 1861—1866. |
| " | " | 1866—1872. |
| " | " | 1872—1877. |
| " | " | 1877—1890. |
| " | " | 1890—in use. |
| " | Banns, | 1823—1826. |
| " | " | 1826—1831. |
| " | " | 1833—1836. |
| " | " | 1837—1841. |
| " | " | 1841—1851. |
| " | " | 1851—1857. |
| " | " | 1857—1867. |
| " | " | 1867—1876. |
| " | " | 1876—1888. |
| " | " | 1897—in use. |
| " | Burials, | 1813—1827. |
| " | " | 1827—1838. |
| " | " | 1838—1850. |
| " | " | 1850—in use. |

*The following are kept in the Vestry, viz:—*

"Skeleton Map of the lands upon which the Rent Charge in lieu of "Tithes for the parish of Wellington is apportioned" (in thirteen parts), dated 1841.

Tithe Maps:—

Parts III., IV. and V. Wappenshall and Leegomery Townships with Apley Demesne.

Part VI. Township of Horton.

IX. Township of Lawley.

X. Arlestone.

XI. Watling Street Demesne.

XII. Township of Aston.

XIII. Township of Walcot.

*(NOTE.—Parts I., II., VII., and VIII. (Wellington, Dothill, Hadley, and Ketley townships) are missing. Every effort has been made to trace these, but without success. But copies of the Maps have been found in the office of the Assistant Overseer—see list of documents for Wellington Rural.)*

## CHRIST CHURCH (*Wellington*).

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1839—in use.
" Marriages, 1839—in use.
" Burials, 1839—in use.

## WELSH FRANKTON.

*(Welsh Frankton is an ecclesiastical parish only, formed in 1865 from the parishes of Ellesmere and Whittington, and includes the townships of Welsh Frankton, New Marton, Old Marton, and Ridge.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—viz.:

Register of Baptisms, 1854—in use.
" Marriages, 1865—in use.
" Burials, 1865—in use

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## WELSHAMPTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a bureau in the Clerk's house, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.

Receipt and Payment Book.

Precept Book.

Declaration of acceptance of office Book.

Pass Book.

Treasurer's Book.

Financial Statements.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1713—1771.
Do. 1772—1803.
Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1803—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1843.
" " 1843—1876.
" " 1876—in use.

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| Register of Marriages, | 1803—1812. |
| " " | 1813—1836(?) |
| " " | 1838(?)—in use. |
| " Burials, | 1813—1864. |
| " " | 1864—in use. |

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1848—1892.

Tithe Map and Award, dated 27th March, 1843.

## WEM RURAL and WEM URBAN.

*(NOTE.—Our inspection was made prior to the formation in 1899 of the Wem Urban District by the County Council of Salop.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following books, &c., are kept in a safe in the Clerk's office, Market Street, Wem, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Treasurer's Bond.
Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.
Account Book.
Two Vestry Meeting Minute Books, 1829—1894.
Declarations of acceptance of office by Parish Councillors.
Cheque Books.
Letters and Circulars from Local Government Board.

*The following documents, &c., are either lying on the floor or on shelves in the Clerk of the Parish Council's office, and it therefore appears necessary that an Order should be made requiring the Parish Council to make some arrangement for the safe custody of the documents, viz:—*

16 Overseers' Account Books, dating back to 1801.
Apprenticeship Indenture Book, 1808—1819.
Apprentices' Ballot Book, 1833.

Orders and Examination Books relating to Bastardy Cases and Removals of Paupers to and from Wem Parish, 1730—1823.
252 Poor and Highway Rate Books.
6 Sanitary Rate Books.
4 Lighting do.
10 Rate Precept Books.
3 Collecting and Deposit Books.
2 Collector's Monthly Statement Books.
2 Parochial Valuations.
Notice to Medical Officers to attend urgent cases.
Instructions to Overseers and others in reference to making Rates.

Map, dated 1805, of the townships of Lowe and Ditches, Wolverley, Newtown, Northwood, Aston, Tilley and Trench, Sleap, Soulton, Lacon, Edstaston, and Cotton.

Ordnance Survey Map of the parish of Wem.

Tithe Maps and Award, dated 21st May, 1849, of the following townships, viz:—

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| Wem. | Lacon. |
| Tilley and Trench. | Cotton and Edstaston. |
| Sleap. | Northwood. |
| Aston. | Newtown. |
| Soulton. | Wolverley. |

*(NOTE.—The above Tithe Maps and Award are kept in an oak chest given for the purpose by the Rector and Churchwardens.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a chest at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1583—1659 *(very dilapidated).*
Do. 1652—1693.
Do. *(in duplicate)* 1st May, 1695, to 1726 *(apparently), and a few entries for Edstaston to 1745.* Baptisms at one end, Burials the other, and Marriages in middle. *(NOTE.—All the entries are on one side of the paper only.)*

General Register for one year 1714, then from 1727—1746.

Register of Baptisms, 1746—1799.
" Christenings and Burials, 1800—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1839.
" " 1839—1870.
" Banns and Marriages, 1754—1786.
" " " 1786—1837.
" Burials, 1746—1801.

*The following documents are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—*

Register of Baptisms, 1870—in use.
" Banns of Marriages, 1787—1812.
" " " 1800—1829.
" " " 1851—1869.
" " " 1869—in use.
" Marriages, 1837—1861.
" " 1861—in use.
" Burials, 1866—in use.

A Terrier, dated 7th September, 1841, of the buildings, lands, tithes, fees, emoluments, and dues of and belonging to the Rectory of Wem, also containing an account of all the goods, ornaments, and utensils belonging to the said Church, and all benefactions, &c.

Do. 18th August, 1845, do. do.

Certified copy Order in Council, dated 22nd March, 1850, separating Edstaston from Wem ecclesiastical parish.

Copy Order in Council, dated 20th November, 1861, separating, for ecclesiastical purposes, the townships of Newtown, Wolverley, and Northwood from the Rectory and Parish Church of Wem

Certified copy Instrument, dated 4th June, 1876, fixing a Table of Fees for the Parish of Wem.

Faculty, dated 27th October, 1885, authorizing certain alterations and improvements in the Church.

Faculty, dated 24th November, 1888, authorizing certain alterations in the pathways in the Churchyard (59 Geo. III., cap. 154, sec. 39).

Agreement, dated 22nd November, 1889, between the Rector and Churchwardens of Wem and Sir Wm. Honyman to let 8a. 2r. 8p. at Stanley End in Whixall (Rent £13 10s. 0d.).

Conveyance, dated 12th November, 1886, of freehold land situate at Wem, to be added to the existing Churchyard, and papers relating thereto.

Order in Council, dated 20th March, 1891, closing Wem Burial Ground from 31st July, 1891.

Order in Council, dated 30th July, 1891, postponing date of closing Wem Burial Ground to 31st December, 1891.

Consent, dated 30th June, 1891, of Owners and Occupiers to Burials in new ground (at Creemore), and various papers relating to the Cemeteries.

Plans relating to new Cemetery.

Copy Undertaking, dated 10th August, 1891, by Rev. H. V. Russell to redeem the Land Tax and Tithe Rent Charge.

Draft Conveyance, dated 19th August, 1891, by John Woodfin and Thomas Forgham (by the direction of the Rev. H. V. Russell), to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of a piece of land containing 2a. 3r. 12p., known as Barnett's Bank (for present Cemetery).

*The following documents are kept in a chest over the north-eastern entrance to the Church, viz:—*

Register of Pew holders *(no date).*

"A Survey and Plan of the parish of Wem, in the County of Salop, "by John Welch, 1805." *(N.B.—In book form—Plan missing.)*

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1774—1790.

Do. and *(ultimately)* Minute Book, 1790—1813.

Do. 1813—1814.

Vestry Minute Book, 1786—1815.

Register of the lands in the various townships *(also showing occupiers).*

Bundle of Deeds (earliest dated 7th July, 1583) relating to certain lands ultimately incorporated with the Churchyard.

Purchase Deed, dated 17th February, 1715, of two pieces of land in Whixall, from Mr. William Hinton and his Wife, for the use of the Poor of the Parish of Wem (the Stanley End Charity Land).

Do. Bond for performance of Covenants by Vendors.

Architectural Drawings of the Church, dated 1839 (referring to the building of a new Gallery).

Faculty for same, dated 10th March, 1840.

Miscellaneous papers.

Copy Valuation of the town and township of Wem, dated 21st May, 1852.

*(See list of documents for the parish of "Broughton," which includes an* "Order of Exchange of lands situate in the parish of Wem.")

## WENTNOR.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the parish chest in the Vestry, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Precept Book.
Account Book.
Bankers' Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of acceptance of office.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a chest in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1662—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1756.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1757—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1850—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1824—1878. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1878. |
| ,, | ,, | 1878—in use. |

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1848.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the township of Kinnerton, dated 1849.

Tithe Apportionment of the township of Home, dated 1849.

Wentnor Inclosure Award, dated 1851.

# WESTBURY.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a lock-up cupboard in the Clerk's house at Pontesbury. viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Treasurer's Bond.
Treasurer's Pass Book.

**Documents, &c. in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| General Register, | | 1637—1663. |
| do. | | 1663—1671. |
| do. | | 1672—1711 *(written entirely in Latin).* |
| do. | | 1712—1731. |
| do. | | 1731—1753. |
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1753—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1832. |
| ,, | ,, | 1833—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1778. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1779—1813. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials in Wollen, | 1718—1763. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1845. |
| ,, | ,, | 1846—in use. |

*The following documents, &c., are kept in a chest at the Rectory, viz:—*

Copy of Award, dated 28th December, 1808, for dividing and inclosing Stretton Heath.

Survey and Valuation of the townships of Yockleton, Stoney Stretton, Newton, Marsh and Wigmore *(no date).*

Summary of the Survey and Valuation of Westbury Quarter, taken in 1836 and 1837.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ditto | ditto | Westley Quarter. |
| Ditto | ditto | Yockleton Quarter. |

Paper book in parchment covers containing entries of various matters relating to the parish, *i.e.*, Orders of Removal, Depositions, &c. —the earliest entry being dated 1698 and running to the year 1791.

Tithe Map and Apportionment of the township of Minsterley, dated 1831.

Ditto townships of Whitton, Vennington, Marsh, and Wigmore, dated 1st October, 1840.

Ditto township of Westbury, dated 7th November, 1840.

Ditto townships of Westley, Winsley, Lake, Hurst, and The Hem, dated 11th September, 1841.

Map of Westbury Quarter in the parish of Westbury, dated 1837.

Altered Apportionment and Map of the Rent Charge in lieu of certain lands in the parish of Westbury, dated 2nd August, 1856.

Ditto ditto dated 29th October, 1856.

Ditto the township or Quarter of Minsterley in the parish of Westbury, dated 17th December, 1841.

Paper copy of re-apportionment of the Tithe Rent Charge for the parish of Westbury, dated May, 1863.

A very large paper volume in parchment covers containing full particulars of the titheable lands in the parish and shewing their re-adjustment between the Rectories of Westbury and Yockleton.

Various old deeds relating to "Mrs. Owen's Moors" in the parish of Worthen.

*We ascertained after our inspection of the foregoing that other documents relating to this parish were in existence and are kept in a large chest in the Rectory coach-house, but we were unable to make a further journey to inspect them.*

## WEST FELTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in the National schoolroom, West Felton, in a cupboard belonging to the Parish Council, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Rough Draft Minute Book.
Attendance Book.
Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Forms for appointment of Overseers.
Forms for appointment of Assistant Overseer.
Treasurer's Bond.

Rough Account Book.
Cheque Book.
Book of Model Standing Orders.
Correspondence *(in bundles).*
Circulars received.
Receipted Bills and Estimate.
Ordnance Map of Parish on 25-inch Scale.

A Book called "Church Accounts" containing *at the one end*—

1. List of Churchwardens, 1745—1890.
2. Assessments of "Church Loans," 1776—1787.
3. Churchwardens' Accounts, 1783—1889.

*and at the other end*—

4. List of Overseers, 1760—1895.
5. Assessments for "Poors Loans," 1776—1784.
6. Overseers' Accounts, 1776—1855.

Rate Books from 1864 to 1888.

Oswestry Incorporation Financial Statement, 1894—5.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register containing:—

1. Baptisms, 1628—1653, 1682—1748, and 1748—1754.
2. Marriages, 1694—1741 and 1742—1753.
3. Burials, 1628—1653 and 1754—1812.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1865. |
| ,, | ,, | 1865—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1793. |
| ,, | ,, | 1793—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1678—1698. |
| ,, | ,, | 1698—1728. |
| ,, | ,, | 1728—1754. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1893. |
| ,, | ,, | 1893—in use. |

*(N.B.—A list of the contents of the various Registers has been made by Mr. R. Ll. Kenyon, of Pradoe.)*

Deed of Grant, dated 20th December, 1871, from the Revd. T. M. Bulkeley Owen to the Minister and Churchwardens of the parish of West Felton, of land for the site of National School.

Tithe Maps and Award of the parish of West Felton, dated the 14th October, 1837, *kept at the Rectory.*

## WESTON LULLINGFIELD.

*(Weston Lullingfield is an ecclesiastical parish only, and was formed, in 1857, from the parish of Baschurch.)*

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1857—in use.
„ Marriages, 1858— do.
„ Burials, 1858 — do.

## WESTON AND WHIXILL.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1565—1725. *(In fair condition.)*

Do. 1725—1812. *(N.B.—This Register contains what is called a* "Terrier of the Chapelry of Weston-under-Redcastle, "of all Tithes due to the Rector."

Register of Baptisms, 1813—in use.
„ Burials, 1725—1812.
„ „ 1813—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1751—1791.

Various papers in connection with the restoration of the Church, 1879.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## WESTON RHYN.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a bureau in the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Account Book.
Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1878—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1878— do. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1878— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1878— do. |

Miscellaneous papers.

Ordnance Map on the wall of the Vestry, the key of which is kept in the safe.

## WHEATHILL.

*(Loughton, for ecclesiastical purposes, is attached to the parish of Wheathill.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a box in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1573—1709.
Do. 1685—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1758.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1760—1800. |
| ,, | ,, ,, | 1801—1811. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—in use. |
| ,, | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1812. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1813—1855. |
| ,, | ,, *(including parish of Loughton)*, | 1838—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1879. |

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book, 1787—1816.
Overseers' Account Book, 1816—1837.
Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1841.
Miscellaneous papers.

## WHITCHURCH RURAL.

*(Whitchurch Rural is a civil parish only—for ecclesiastical purposes it is included in the ecclesiastical parishes of Ash Magna and Tilstock.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the office of the Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.

Declaration Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Pass Book.
Cheque Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Financial Statements.
Books of appointments of Overseers.
Precept Book.
Miscellaneous papers.

## WHITCHURCH URBAN.

*(Whitchurch Urban comprises the Urban District of Whitchurch.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1630—1655. The following note appears in this Register, viz:—"The 30 day of May 1643, Whitchurch was surprised "and taken by Sir Will. Brewertons Forces."

General Register, 1633—1682. In 1643 there is the following entry, viz:—

> "Non entered from May 1643 untill October 1647 and "from thenne untill May 1663 is entered in this Book after "which looke in the great Paper Book for the rest, the "weddings are in this Book from 33 till 43, then from 53 the "rest alone."

*The Rector informs us that a note appears in this Register in the year 1650 to the effect that the names marked thus — died of the Plague. From August to November in that year 116 are so marked.*

General Register, 1653—1744.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms and Burials, | | 1745—1797. | |
| " | " | " | 1797—1812. | |
| " | Baptisms, | 1813—1826. | |
| " | " | 1827—1842. | |
| " | " | 1842—1870. | |
| " | " | 1870—1884. | |
| " | " | 1884—1896. | |
| " | Banns and Marriages, | 1754—1776. | |
| " | " | " | 1776—1800 | *(Banns to 1780 only).* |
| " | Marriages, | 1800—1813. | |
| " | " | 1813—1837. | |
| " | " | 1837—1852. | |
| " | " | 1852—1871. | |
| " | " | 1871—1892. | |

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|---|---|---|
| Register of Marriages, | | 1892—in use. |
| ,, | Banns, | 1845—1862. |
| ,, | ,, | 1862—1878. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1834. |
| ,, | ,, | 1835—1871. |
| ,, | ,, | 1871—1879. |
| ,, | ,, | 1879—1898. |
| ,, | ,, | 1898—in use. |

**The following are kept in the Vestry, viz:—**

Award of Exchange endorsed "15 Septr. 1859. Whitchurch-cum-"Marbury. Award of Exchange of certain lands between the Rector "of Whitchurch and Domville Halstead Cudworth Poole, Esq."

Tithe Maps and Award, dated 1st January, 1842.

*The Maps are of the following townships:—*

| | |
|---|---|
| Hinton. | New Woodhouse. |
| Hollyhurst and Chinnel. | Edgeley. |
| Old Woodhouse. | *Ash Magna. |

*And the Award deals with the following townships:—*

| | |
|---|---|
| Whitchurch. | *Ash Parva. |
| Dodington. | Broughall. |
| Alkington. | *New Woodhouse. |
| Edgeley. | *Old Woodhouse. |
| †Tilstock. | Hollyhurst and Chinnel. |
| *Ash Magna. | Hinton. |

* The townships of Ash Magna, Ash Parva, New Woodhouse, and Old Woodhouse now constitute the ecclesiastical parish of Ash.

† The township of Tilstock now forms part of the ecclesiastical parish of Tilstock.

*The following books are kept in cupboards in the Vestry, viz:—*

| | |
|---|---|
| Churchwardens' Account Book, | 1619—1629. |
| Do. | 1630—1640. |
| Do. | 1641—1670. |
| Do. | 1688—1713. |
| Do. | 1713—1736. |

(The Account for 1713 is entered as a "Rate for rebuilding the Church and other "purposes.")

| | |
|---|---|
| Do. | 1737—1758. |
| Do. | 1759—1782. |
| Do. | 1783—1807. |
| Do. | 1808—1822. |
| Do. | 1823—1834. |
| Do. | 1834—1842. |
| Do. | 1842—1857. |
| Do. | 1857—1864. |

Several of these Account Books contain lists of Charities and extracts from Wills relating to same.

*(NOTE.—It will be observed that the Churchwardens' Account Books are complete from the year 1619, except from 1670 to 1688.)*

Book, dated 1800, containing:—

List of Apprentices and their Masters.

List of Bastardy Bonds.

List of Removal and Settlement Orders.

Certain particulars with reference to the Free Grammar School.

Appropriation of Pews, &c., &c.

Two Minute Books, 1791—1792, of meetings to consider the question of better administration of relief.

Minute Book of Fire Protection Committee, 1830—1831.
Memorandum of sums collected on Briefs.
Copy of Lease of land at Alkington, dated 1670.
Several Vestry Meeting Minute Books.

## WHITTINGTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a desk at the house of the Deputy Clerk of the Council, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Book of Declarations of acceptance of office.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Cheque Book.
Bank Pass Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Notices of appointment of Overseers.
Correspondence, &c.

*The following books, &c., are kept by the Assistant Overseer, viz:—*

Rate Assessment Book.
Monthly Statement Book.
Collecting and Deposit Book.
Unpaid Rate Statement Book.
Cheque Receipt and Payment Book.
Overseers' Receipt and Payment Book.
Bank Cheque Book.
Bank Pass Book.
Supplemental Valuation List.

**Documente, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1591—1642.
Do. 1643—1653.
Do. 1653—1703.

Register containing:—
1. Baptisms, 1701—1752 and
2. Marriages, 1703—1754.

Register containing:—
1. Baptisms, 1753—1784 and
2. Burials, 1753—1790.

Register containing:—
1. Baptisms, 1785—1808 and
2. Burials, 1791—1808.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms, | 1815—1837. |
| ,, | Births and Baptisms, | 1808—1864. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1865—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1791. |
| ,, | ,, | 1792—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1895. *In the 'Condition' column of the first entry of this Register the following appears, viz:—* |

"The man rather fat the woman rather lean."

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of | Marriages, | 1895—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1678—1752. |
| ,, | ,, | 1809—1832. |
| ,, | ,, | 1832—1864. |
| ,, | ,, | 1864—in use. |

"Halston Register" of Births, Baptisms, Marriages, Deaths and Funerals, 1686 to present time, *i.e.*, 1889.

Miscellaneous papers, documents, and faculties.

Terrier of Church lands, dated 1630.

Office copy Order of Exchange, dated 26th October, 1865, from Joseph Gill to the Revd. W. M. How, of lands situate in the township of Ebnal in the parishes of Whittington and Selattyn.

Conveyance, dated 29th April, 1853, of the site and premises of Whittington National School.

Map of the township of Whittington.

Two Maps called "A Survey of lands in the township of Whit-"tington belonging to the Rectory of Whittington and also of lands "belonging to the Schools in Whittington and of Mr. Thomas Richards "lands on which is secured £300 left by Mrs. Elizabeth Lloyd to the "Poor of Whittington."

A similar map with a somewhat different endorsement.

"Parochial Whittington, 1854"—by the late Bishop How when Rector of Whittington—*containing a great number of interesting and valuable notes, papers, anecdotes, &c.*

Apportionment, dated 1842, of the Rent Charges in the several townships of Whittington, Fernhill, Daywell, Ebnal, Henelle, Hindford, Old Marton, and Frankton in the parish of Whittington.

Tithe Maps and Apportionment (also duplicate of the Apportionment), dated 1839—*kept at the office of Messrs. Longueville & Co., Solicitors, Oswestry.*

## WHITTON.

*Ecclesiastically known as Burford (2nd Portion).*

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a tin box at the Rectory, viz—

Register of Marriages, 1840—in use.

Register of Burials, 1856—in use. *The following Note appears in this Register,, viz:*—"Entries in this Book up to the year 1876 were "copied from the Certificates of Burial given by the Registrar."

Overseers' Account Book, 3rd May, 1802, and, from that date, Vestry Minute Book to present time.

Deed of Apportionment, dated 7th November, 1849, of the "three portions" by the Bishop of Hereford.

Deed, dated 20th February, 1718, executed by Charles Mansfield (Rector of 2nd Portion), Francis Cornwall (Patron), Edward Collins, of Greet, Thomas Edwards (Patron), of Greet, and the Bishop of Hereford settling certain "Disputes and differences" as to their tythes which had arisen between the Rectors.

Faculty, dated 10th June, 1892, for erecting a new Chancel and Vestry to the Chapel of Whitton in the parish of Burford (second portion) in the County of Salop.

Terrier of Tithe, dated 1847.

## WHIXALL.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following documents are kept in a safe in the custody of the Chairman of the Parish Council, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.

*The following documents are in the custody of the Clerk of the Parish Council, viz:—*

Parish Council Minute Book.
Treasurer's Receipt and Payment Book.
Bank Pass Book.
Parish Council Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Cheque Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in the Church Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1758—1784.
" " " 1784—1812.
" Marriages, 1847—in use.
" Banns, 1847—in use.
" Baptisms, 1813—1845.
" " 1845—in use.
" Burials, 1813—1854.
" " 1854—1895.
Licence for the solemnization of Marriages, 1847.

## WILLEY.

*(Willey is a parish within the borough of Wenlock.)*

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in an iron chest in the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1644—1755 *(imperfect—several leaves missing):*
Baptisms begin 1644 and end 1812.
Marriages " 1665 " 1754.
Burials " 1666 " 1811.
Register of Baptisms, 1813—1846.
" " 1846—in use.
" Marriages, 1755—1811.
" " 1813—1846.
" " 1846—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1845—in use.
Vestry Minute Book, 1874—in use.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1838.

# WISTANSTOW.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a chest at the house of the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Council draft Minute Book.
Parish Council Minute Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Attendance Register.

**Documents in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in an iron safe at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1687—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1800.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1813—1841. |
| " | " | 1841—in use. |
| " | Marriages, | 1754—1809. |
| " | " | 1810—1812. |
| " | " | 1813—1837. |
| " | " | 1838—in use. |
| " | Banns, | 1823— do. |
| " | Burials, | 1801—1812. |
| " | " | 1813—1865. |
| " | " | 1866—in use. |

Rate Book, dated 1830.

Churchwardens' and Overseers' Account Book and Account of distribution of certain Charities, 1733—1758.

Enclosure Award of Longville Common, dated 1870.

Various papers.

**The following are kept in a wooden chest at the Rectory,** viz.:—

Vestry Minute Book, 1795—1822. *(This book contains many entries other than Minutes.)*

Vestry Book, dated 1823, *containing many interesting items as to "relief" granted.*

Overseers' Account Book, 1771—1797. *(NOTE.—This book also contains entries as to disbursements of Charities).*

Account Book *(apparently of Overseers)*, 1808—1825(?).

Select Vestry Minute Book, 1827—1828.
Do. do. 1828—1830.

Bastard Accounts, &c., 1822—1832.

*(NOTE.—This chest contains many old papers, Books, Apprenticeship Indentures, &c., &c., and would well repay a thorough overhauling as they are jumbled together in a most chaotic manner.)*

Tithe Map, *kept in a case at the Rectory.*

## WITHINGTON.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept at the house of Mr. T. Payne, Cleobury Mortimer, Clerk of the Parish Meeting, viz.:—

Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Church, viz:—

General Register, 1591—1713.
Do. 1713—1784.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1784—1812.
" " " 1813—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.
" Marriages, 1784—1812.
" " 1813—1836.
" " 1839—in use.

Churchwardens' Account and Vestry Minute Book, 1776—1872.
Churchwardens' Account Book, 1872—in use.
Valuation Book, dated 1841.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## WOLSTASTON.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1601—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1771, *and containing on the 1st page several entries running from 1773 to 1777).*

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1769—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—in use.
" Banns and Marriages, 1755—1812.
" Marriages, 1813—1835.
" " 1838—in use.
" Burials, 1813— do.

Book containing Overseers' Accounts from 1720 to 1754, and Churchwardens' Accounts from 1719 to 1753.

Vestry Minute Book, 1857—1899.

Copy of Terrier of tithe lands, dated 1634.

Tithe Map and Apportionment, dated 1841.

# WOMBRIDGE.

*(NOTE.—Our inspection of the Wombridge documents was made prior to the constitution of the Oakengates Urban District by "The "County of Salop (Oakengates) Urban District Order, 1897." Under this Order Wombridge is a parish and ward within the said Urban District.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in a safe in the Clerk of the Parish Council's Office, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Agenda Book.
Declaration Book.
Cheque Book.
Pass Book.
Account Book.
Miscellaneous papers.
Treasurer's Bond.
Vestry Minute Book, 1858—1874.
do. 1879—1888.
do. 1888—1894.

Map of parish made in 1869.

Extract from Charity Commissioners' Report on Rusbury's Charity (now lost).

Correspondence with Charity Commissioners in connection with Rushton's Charity.

Document from Poor Law Commissioners, authorising the appointment of an Assistant Overseer, dated 2nd June, 1838.

Document from Poor Law Commissioners, dated 2nd June, 1838, directing a Valuation List of properties within the parish for rating purposes, and sanctioning the payment of £10 10s. 0d. for making such List.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in iron safes in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1721—1754.
" " " 1754—1775.
" " 1782—1792.
" " 1788—1812.
" " 1813—1853.
" " 1854—in use.
" Marriages, 1802—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—1880.
" " 1880—in use.

Register of Banns of Marriage, 1855—1890.
" " " 1891—in use.
" Burials, 1793—1813.
" " 1813—1857.
" " 1858—1897.

Consent to accept Endowment of £500 sterling, dated 16th February, 1853.

Consent to accept Endowment of £500 sterling, dated 8th February, 1855.

Licences of Curates, &c.

Faculty, dated 1869, for alteration of Church.

Conveyance by Revocation and Appointment, dated 20th April, 1843, of a piece of land at Oakengates.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## WOODCOTE.

*(NOTE.—The civil parish of Woodcote forms part of the ecclesiastical parish of Sheriffhales.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Meeting.**—Kept by the Chairman, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.

## WOODHOUSE.

*(Woodhouse was formerly an extra-parochial liberty, but is now a parish in the Cleobury Mortimer Union. It is a civil parish only and contains but one house.)*

No Documents.

## WOORE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept in an old box at the time of our inspection, but since that date a safe has been obtained and the documents are now kept in it, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book, 1894—in use.
Draft Minute Book.
Attendance Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Declaration of acceptance of office Book.
Precept Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

Pass Book.

Cheque Book.

Survey and Valuation of that part of the parish of Mucclestone situate in the County of Salop *(now the parish of Woore).*

Ordnance Survey of the Parish in 12 Sheets—25-in. Scale.

Macmorran and Dill's first edition of the Local Government Act, 1894.

Miscellaneous papers.

**Documents, &c., in the custody of the Vicar.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

*(NOTE.—The older Registers, &c., are probably at Mucclestone. The present parish of Woore was, until about 1842, a portion of the parish of Mucclestone.)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of Baptisms, | | 1831—1895. |
| ,, | ,, | 1895—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1842— do. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1842— do. |

Book showing how and to whom the Charities of the parish (six in number) are distributed.

*No Tithe Map or Award.*

## WORFIELD.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Meeting Minute Book.
Parish Council do.
Contribution Order Book.
Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Treasurer's Bond.

List of Parish Charities. *(NOTE.—This really consists of a list of the recipients of the Charities.)* The Parish Charities are very extensive, and most of them are administered under a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The older books, etc. are kept in a safe in the Vestry, and the more modern at the Vicarage, viz:—

| | |
|---|---|
| General Register, | 1560—1606. |
| Do. | 1605—1692. |
| Do. | 1691—1725. |

Register of Christenings and Burials, 1725—1733 *(one Marriage entered at the end of the book).*

General Register, 1733—1754, then Baptisms and Burials only to 1782.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1772—1793.
„ Births and Burials, 1794—1812.
„ Baptisms, 1813—1849.
„ „ 1849—1882.
„ „ 1882—in use.
„ Marriages, 1754—1785.
„ „ 1785—1812,
„ „ 1813—1839.
„ „ 1837—1894.
„ „ 1894—in use.
„ Burials, 1813—1868.
„ „ 1868—in use.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1500—1645.
Do. 1721—1798.
Do. *(and Vestry Minutes)*, 1798—1851

Book containing Minutes of a "Committee" and Minutes of Vestry Meetings, 1804—1846.

Vestry Minute Book, 1848—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1723—1753.
Do. 1782—1801.
Do. 1801—1826.
Do. 1826—1836.

Account of certain Charities kept by the Churchwardens and Trustees, 1795—1825.

Various old deeds, papers, Apprenticeship Indentures, &c.
Valuation of the parish for Poor Rate purposes, 1788.
Weekly Pay List, 1833.

Tithe Map and Award—*every effort has been made to trace this, but without success; a private copy of the Tithe Map and Award is in the possession of Messrs. Keary & Wyley, of Bridgnorth.*

The following document, *i.e.*, 'The Worfield Charter,' is a particularly interesting document. It had been lost some years, and in a history of the parish, entitled "Worfield on the Worfe," which the Curate kindly lent us, the Author states (pp. 5 and 6) that "its whereabouts "is unknown."

*A careful inspection of the document, which is apparently sealed with the Privy Seal of Edward IV.,* and a perusal of the work above*

* NOTE.—Mr. F. R. Armytage has taken excellent photographs of the Charter and its endorsements, and of the Seal. The photographs are given as a frontispiece to this volume.

*referred to (which contains a copy of the Charter obtained from the Bodleian MS.), led us to believe that it was the lost Charter; and this idea was confirmed by the Rev. C. H. Drinkwater, Vicar of St. George's, Shrewsbury, who kindly translated it. A comparison of the Charter with the copy from the Bodleian MS. disclosed the fact that the latter is incorrect in several places, and it is therefore possible that the Curator would be glad to receive a correct copy.*

## WORFIELR CHARTER.

"Edwardus Dei gratia Rex Anglie et ffrancie et Dominus "Hibernie vniuersis et singulis Justiciarijs Vicecomitibus Prepositis "Ministris et omnibus fidelibus suis tam infra libertate quam extra "ad quos presentes litere pervenerint—Salutem—Cum secundum "consuetudinem in regno nostro Anglie hacternus obtentam et "approbatam homines de antiquo dominico corone Anglie quieti "essent et esse deberent a prestacone theolonij ac etiam de expensis "militum ad parliamenta nostra uenencium Acetiam quod haberent "omnes consuetudines ab antiquo vsitates et quod non ponantur in "assisis iuratis seu recognicoibus aliquibus pro terris seu tenementis "que sunt de dicto antiquo dominico corone Anglie per totum "regnum nostrum supradictum Vobis mandamus quod homines et "tenentes manerij de Wolueresford alias dicti Worfield quod est de "antiquo dominico corone Anglie Sicut per quandam certificacvem "nobis in cancellariam nostram per Thesaurarios et Camerarios nostros "de mandato nostro missam et in filacijs cancellarie nostre predicte "residentem plene liquet de huiusmodi prestacone theolonij et "expensis militum necnon de huius modi assisis iuratis sui "recognicoibus aliquibus necenon consuetudinibus supradictis quietos "esse-permittates iuxta consuetudinem supradictam Et districcones "si quas eisdem hominibus occasione predicta feceritis, eas eis sine "dilacone relaxetis In cuius rei testimonium has literas nostras "fieri fecimus patentes Teste me ipso apud Westmonasterium "XXVI. die Maij Anno regni nostri sexto decimo

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"INDORSO 1. Allocatus et irrotulatus fuit coram Justiciarios "domini Regis ad assisis apud Salopiam die Saturni "proximo post festum Laudi Jacobi Apostoli anno regni "Regis Eduardi quarti post conquestum sexto decimo

"2. Irrotulatur et allocatur coram Edwardo Saunders Milite "Capitali Barono Scaccarij Domine Regine et Willilmo "lovelaco seruenti ad legem Justiciarios ad assisis tentas "apud Bridgenorth in Comitatu Salopie die lune octauo "die Aprilis anno regni Domine Elizabeth Regine &c. "decimo octauo

"Ed'us Saunders Wyllm lovelace

3. (in margin) Allowed for Wellington the 11th day of "June, 1656 by Wm. Cheshire then Steward.

"4. I knowe that Worffeild manner is auncient demesne 13th
"April, 1642. per Joh'em Byrche Senr.
"5. Irrotulatur et allocatur in villa Salopie in comitatu
"Salopie XX° die Aprilis anno domino 1642 tempore
"Richardi Gibbons-Maioris.
"6. Allocatus per Walterum Richards Senescallum de
"Woluerhampton XIX Junij 1644.
"Walter Richards.
"7. This is to certify that this Charter was showed before
"mee the 11th of October 1650 and aproued of by mee
"William Browne, Bailfe of Kidderminster.
"8. Irrotulatur et allocatur coram Edwardo Ward Militas
"Capitali Baroni Scaccarij Domine Reginee apud &c &c.
"Westmonasterium tertio die Aprilis &c anno Domini
"1704—Edw. Ward."

## TRANSLATION OF THE CHARTER.

"Edward by the grace of God King of England and France and "Lord of Ireland to all and singular his Justices, Sheriffs, Provosts, "Ministers and all his lieges as well within the liberties as without to "whom these present letters shall come Greeting. Whereas according "to the Custom in our realm of England, hitherto obtained and "approved that men of ancient demesne of the crown of England, are "and ought to be quit of payment of toll as well as of expenses of "Knights coming to our Parliaments. And further that they should "enjoy all customs in use from ancient times and not be placed on "assize Juries or have any recognizances for lands or tenements which "are of ancient demesne of the Crown of England through the whole of "our realm aforesaid. We charge you that the men and tenants of the "manor of Woluersford, otherwise called Worfeld, which is of ancient "demesne of the Crown of England as fully appears in a certain "Certificate sent by us to our Chancery, by our Treasurers and "Chamberlains at our command and yet remaining in the files of our "Chancery aforesaid—that they should be quit of payments of this kind "and expenses of Knights as also of Assize Juries and any "recognizances, you shall permit them as well to be quit of the customs "aforesaid according to the custom before mentioned. And if you shall "have made distraints of any kind upon the same men you shall release "them without delay. In witness whereof we have caused these our "letters patent to be issued. Witness myself at Westminster the "twenty-sixth of May in the year of our reign the sixteenth ffryston

"ENDORSEMENTS. 1. (This) was allowed and enrolled in the
"Presence of the Justices of our Lord the King at the
"Assizes held at Salop on the Saturday next after the feast
"of St. James the Apostle in the sixteenth year of the reign
"of King Edward, fourth after the Conquest.
"2. Enrolled and allowed in the presence of Sir Edward

" Saunders, Chief Baron of the Exchequer of our Lady the
" Queen and William Lovelace Sergeant at Law Justices at
" the Assizes held at Bridgenorth in the County of Salop
" on Monday the eighth day of April in the eighteenth year
" of our Lady Queen Elizabeth &c.
" Ed'us Saunders Wyllm lovelace

" 3. Allowed for Wellington the 11th day of June 1656 by Wm.
" Cheshire then Steward.

" 4. I knowe that Worffeild manner is auncient demesne—13th
" April 1642 by Joh'em Byrche Senr.

" 5. Enrolled and allowed in the town of Salop in the County
" of Salop on the 20th day of April in the year of our Lord
" 1642 in time of Richard Gibbons—Mayor.

" 6. Allowed by Walter Richards, Steward of Wolverhampton
" 19th June 1644. Walter Richards

" 7. This is to certify that this Charter was showed before mee
" the 11th of October 1650 and aproued of by mee.
" William Browne Bailfe of Kidderminster.

" 8. Enrolled and allowed in presence of Sir Edward Ward
" Chief Baron of the Exchequer of our Lady the Queen at
" Westminster the third day of April in the year of our
" Lord 1704. Edw. Ward."

## WORTHEN.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—The following are kept in a wooden chest at the house of the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Old Cheque Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Notice Book to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Treasurer's Book.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.

*The following documents, &c., are kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—*

Minute Book, 1793—1840 (containing Overseers' and Churchwardens' Accounts).

Minute Book, 1832—1847.
Do. 1847—1889.
Do. 1889—in use.

Valuation of parish, 1794.
Do. 1820.

Valuation List, dated March, 1873, made by Union Assessment Committee and Supplemental Lists.

New Assessment List with Supplemental Lists, dated January, 1882.

Old Pay Book, 1825—1838.
Do. 1839—1851.
Do. 1864—1871.

Receipt and Payment Book, 1860—1874.
Do. do. 1874—1890.
Do. do. 1890—1894.

Rate Books, 1837—1895.

A Memorandum Book belonging to the late Rev. Charles Awdry, giving a list of the recipients of the Charities of the parish on St. Thomas' Day.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—The following are kept in a chest at the Rectory, viz:—

General Register, 1561—1642.
Do. 1659—1718.
Do. 1719—1754, then Burials and Baptisms only to 1777.

Register of Baptisms and Burials, 1778—1799.
" " " 1800—1812.
" Baptisms, 1813—1840.
" " 1840—1855.
" " 1855—1882.
" " 1882—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Banns of Marriages, 1823—1838.
" Burials, 1813—1857.
" " 1860—in use.

Tithe Maps and Apportionments of the following townships, viz:—

Meadowtown.
Leigh.
Bin Weston.
Heath Quarter.
Brockton.
Worthen Quarter.
Bromlow Quarter.

*The following books are in the custody of the Vestry Clerk, viz:—*

Book containing list of Churchwardens and their Accounts, 1713—1809.
Do. do. do. 1810—1856.
Do. do. do. 1856—1872.
Do. do. do. 1873—in use.

# WROCKWARDINE.

**Documents in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the office of the Clerk of the Parish Council, 28, Foundry Road, Wellington, Salop *(no box or safe)*, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Account Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Vestry Minute Book, 1826—1873.
Do. 1874—1896.

Book containing Survey and Valuation of parish, dated 1832.

Print of Apportionment of Tithe and Map of old parish, dated 1838 *(now divided into the two parishes of Wrockwardine and Wrockwardine Wood).*

Book of Account shewing the receipts and payments of Tiddicross Charity, distributed between the two parishes of Wrockwardine and Wrockwardine Wood—*kept by the Treasurer for the time being.*

**Documents in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe at the Vicarage, viz:—

General Register, 1591—1742. The following note appears in the year 1645, viz:—"The Register was discontinued for some years by "Mr. Smyth's deserting ye place in ye heate of ye civil wars."

General Register, 1745—1754—then Baptisms and Burials only to 1758.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Register of | Baptisms and Burials, | 1760—1812. |
| ,, | Baptisms, | 1813—1849. |
| ,, | ,, | 1849—in use. |
| ,, | Marriages, | 1754—1782. |
| ,, | ,, | 1782—1801. |
| ,, | ,, | 1802—1812. |
| ,, | ,, | 1813—1820. |
| ,, | ,, | 1820—1833. |
| ,, | ,, | 1833—1837. |
| ,, | ,, | 1837—1866. |
| ,, | ,, | 1866—in use. |
| ,, | Burials, | 1813—1842. |
| ,, | ,, | 1842—1898. |
| ,, | ,, | 1898—in use. |

Churchwardens' Accounts and Easter Vestry Minute Book, 1783—1825.
Do. do. 1815—1842.

Select Vestry Minute Book, 1820—1826.

Various Deeds relating to the Vicarage..

Miscellaneous papers referring to Charities, Schools, &c.

Conveyance of site for Boys' School, dated 29th October, 1852.

Conveyance of certain pieces of land purchased from Edward Pemberton of Admaston, dated 1660.

Copy of Endowment of Wrockwardine in 1350 *(made in 1806).*

Certified copy of Terrier, dated 1612, extracted from the Registry of Lichfield and Coventry.

Terrier, dated 1736.
Do. 7th September, 1841.
Do. 14th August, 1845.
Do. 31st December, 1883.

Tithe Map and Award of Charlton township, dated 1839.

Tithe Map and Award of the townships of Leaton, Burcott. Cluddley, Wrockwardine (including Long Lane, Alscott, Admaston and Bratton). *(NOTE.—These townships, with Charlton, form the present parish of Wrockwardine.)*

**The following are kept at the Vicarage,** viz.: -

Many Appenticeship Indentures.

Overseers' Account Book, 1783—1797.
Do. 1797—1806.
Do. 1808—1817.
Do. 1817—1828.
Do. 1825—1830.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1707—1738.
Do. 1725—1751.
Do. 1739—1780.
Do. 1739—1805.

## WROCKWARDINE WOOD.

*(Wrockwardine Wood is now a parish in the Urban District of Oakengates—constituted by an order of the County Council known as "The County of Salop (Oakengates) Urban District Order, 1897." The inspection of the documents was made prior to the constitution of the Urban District).*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept at the office of the Clerk of the Parish Council, 28, Foundry Road, Wellington, Salop *(no box or safe)*, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting Minute Book, 1884—in use.
Account Book.
Declarations of acceptance of office.
Treasurer's Bond.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1833—1876.
" " 1876—1896.
" " 1896—in use.
" Banns, 1847—1899.
" " 1899—in use.
" Burials, 1833—1865.
" " 1865—in use.
Miscellaneous papers.
Tithe Map and Award, dated 1847.

## WROXETER.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Parish Council.**—Kept by the Clerk, viz:—

Parish Council Minute Book.
Parish Meeting do.
Treasurer's Bond.
Declarations of Parish Councillors.
Bank Pass Book.
Receipt and Payment Book.
Contribution Order Book.
Petty Cash Book.
Letter Book.
Notices to Guardians of appointment of Overseers.
Cheque Book.

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Vicar.**—The following are kept in a safe in the Vestry, viz:—

General Register, 1618—1680. In Latin down to 1655. Then in June, July, and August, 1655, three entries of Marriages in English; the remaining entries being in Latin.

General Register, 1700—1747.

Register of Baptisms, 1772—1812.
" " 1813—1868.
" " 1868—in use.
" Marriages, 1754—1812.
" " 1813—1837.
" " 1837—in use.
" Burials, 1813—in use.
Copy Terrier, dated 1736.
Terrier " 1736.
" " 1759.
" " 1769.
" " 1841.

Conveyance, dated 11th September, 1873, from the Duke of the Cleveland to the Archdeacon of Salop of a piece of land for the purpose of a School.

*The following documents, &c., are kept in a chest in the Vestry, viz:—*

Tithe Map and Award, dated 1843.

Churchwardens' Account Book, 1658—1673.
Do. do. 1683—1716.
Do. do. 1687—1713.
Do. do. 1717—1761.
Do. do. 1763—1826.

"Book of Sermons or Homilies appointed to be read in the "Churches in the time of Queen Elizabeth of famous memory."

Jewel's Apology.

Book containing accounts of collections, oblations, and offerings on Palm Sunday, &c., 1711—1771.

Weekly Payments and Poor Relief, 1794—1803.

Weekly Pay Book, 1829—1836.

Occasional Relief Accounts, 1817—1820.

Large number of Rate Books.

Miscellaneous papers.

Vestry Minute Book, 1867—in use.

Overseers' Account Book, 1720—1728.
Do. 1761—1785.
Do. 1787—1821.
Do. 1819—1847.
Do. 1837—1847.
Do. 1821—1848.

## YOCKLETON.

*(Yockleton is an ecclesiastical parish only and was formed from the parish of Westbury in 1862, and includes the townships of Stoney Stretton and Newton. For civil purposes it is still a portion of the parish of Westbury and forms a ward of that parish.)*

**Documents, etc., in the custody of the Rector.**—Kept in a safe at the Vestry, viz:—

Register of Baptisms, 1861—in use.
,, Banns, 1863— do.
,, Marriages, 1863— do.
,, Burials, 1861— do.

Assessment of parish for the purposes of the Church Rate, dated 1859.

Tithe Map and Award, *kept at the Rectory.*

*(See list of documents for "Westbury," which contains various documents referring to the parish of Yockleton.)*

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